Miners reject output deal and press ahead with £135 claim

Britain's miners dealt a damaging blow to the income policy and brought closer the possibility of a clash with the Government when they unexpectedly rejected a pit productivity scheme that could have given rises of £23.50 a week. Their union is now committed to

pursuing a £135-a-week claim for coalface workers. Sir Derek Ezra, coal board chairman, said other ways of improving productivity must be found. In the City the news clipped 13.4 points off share prices. and slowed the rise in the pound's

Consternation at coal board

By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

Labour Editor

The credibility of the Government's income policy suffered a damaging blow at the hands of the miners yesterday. Unexpectedly, and by a large majority, they rejected a pit productivity scheme, and the National Union of Mineworkers is now committed to pursuing a huge claim in direct conflict with the waze guidelines. with the wage guidelines.

In a pithead poll of about 50 per ceut the men voted 110,634 to 87,901 not to allow local wage incentives into the pits. That represented a 552 per cent "No" to the wage manocurre designed to forestall a clash with the Government over

After announcing the result, Mr Joseph Gormley, NUM pre-ident, said a claim for £135 in week at the coaffece, not far inort of double the present rate, would be pursued. "I cannot sell 10 per cent,

and I would not try to sell it' ne insisted. "They do not need to come near with any offer of 10 per cent because it will not get the national executive's con-

The ballot result caused con-carnation at the National Coal Board, where officials had ex-pected a marginal majority in favour of the scheme that pro-mised rises of £23,50 a week for face workers who complete an agreed weekly output target.
The board will now have to "see king to actrieve" big rises from yesterday's date, in direct breach of the TUC's 12-month rule.

Now that the productivity salety valve has failed there becaus nothing in the way of a lead-on collision over pay with the Government. The National of Board met in emergency research last night to work out Secretary of State for Energy, and those leftwing coalfield

with 1974-75 are ominous.
Then, the miners rejected a millar scheme and went on to the conference claim rather cripple the original social contract with a settlement above. The backwash of that claim react with a settlement above
30 per cent. That brought wage
movements leading directly to
the high wage inflation just beWalter Malt, moderate leader



Gormley in London

yesterday's rejection comes after two years of pay restraint, and in the militant area the left-wing call for re-jection of pit incentives was linked to a demand that the basic rate claim should be pur-

basic rate claim should be pursued with vigour.

The breakdown of the vote
shows that the big coalfields in
Yorkshire, Scotland and South
Wales were heavily against the
deal, together with north Derbyshire, Kent and the Scottish The traditionally moderate

areas of Northughamshire, Dur-ham, Northumberland, Leicestershire and Lancashire, and the other cruftsmen and whitecollar workers were in favour, but not by a big enough margin The vote came after au intense propaganda struggle between the coal board, moderate members of the miners' executive, Mr Benn, Narreturn of Struggles leaders who told the men the way to higher pay lay through

of the Durham coalfield, pre-dicted "harsh words" about the campaign waged against the scheme in those areas that rejected it.

rejected it.
Political recriminations will
not, however, mask the barsh
reality of the situation. The
miners are asking for new basic
rates of £135 at the face, £114
elsewhere underground and £92 on the surface, compared with £70.35, £56.70 and £49.50

respectively at present.
The coal board will reply to
the claim in time for the November 10 executive meeting, but the miners can entertain scant hopes of an offer that exceeds the 10 per cent limit or the 12-month rule. Our Political Reporter writes: Economic ministers, who expressed deep disappointment last night at the result of the ballot, are to meet today to discuss the effect on government policy.

was no desperation and rejected any suggestion that the miners were on a collision course, but there is serious concern at the miners' decision. Today's ministerial meeting

is that of the economic strategy committee, which regularly meets to discuss pay claims in the light of the Government's 10 per cent guideline. Last night ministers, while conceding that the next move must be resolved by the coal board and the NUM, emphasized that there could be no departure from the Govern-ment's guidelines.

There were strong hints on the Conservative side that the party may now review its sara-tegy towards the mining industry. Mr Tom King, a Tory energy spokesman, asked whether his party would con-sider denationalization, replied sider denationsussion, arrangement it would be a "difficult and discountive operation in the disruptive operation in the short term."/ He added that unless there

was a satisfactory increase in projectivity there would obviously be pressure to find some other system of running the industry.

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The Soviet supersonic airliner TU144 lands at Alma Ata airport yesterday to inaugurate

a passenger service on the 2,000-mile route from Moscow. Report, page 7.

reluctance to let pound rise denied

Was Mr Healey a "reluct-ant" Chancellor in allowing the pound to rise, as Conservatives tried rubbing in yesterday? For from it, to judge by expan-sive comment in government circles.

One authority held that the effective policy decision to lot the pound float had been taken as long ago as October 17, with the formal decision arranged last Priday once market reac-tion to the economic measures

had been assessed.

Another source held that once the Cabinet last Monday once the Cabinet last Monday week decided not to medify exchange controls appreciation of the pound became inevicable, although that may not have been apparent to all members of the Cabinet.

It was generally insisted that last Friday there was no disagreement between Mr Healey, Mr Callaghan and Mr Lever, Chuncellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, who were the mini-

Lancaster, who were the mini-sters attending the final action meeting with Mr Gordon Richardson, Governor of the Bank of England.

They formally decided to change the bank's mode of intervention, beginning the next What Mr Healey, who cer-

reluctance to ler go of the pound during Commons ques-tions last Wednesday on his economic package, really thought some two weeks ago he is keeping to himself for the moment.

But some of his colleagues got two halves of what seems to have been the same impres-sion. One was that the decision to let the pound go up would be implemented once the measures were presented; the other that once the measures were presented a decision would

The difference is quite clear, but there are grounds for believing that the Chancellor was reconciled to the pound's appreciation earlier than his statements to the Commons

A Chancellor camot tell " the absolute truth " about sterling, one informant coutended, adding that the present 5 per cent appreciation in the pound's value was in line with approximately . . . its present value ", which Mr Healey had stated would be maintained last week. That seems more than a slight

Mr Healey's answer to Mr John Pardoe, his Liberal "shadow", had been that it was "the Government's policy to maintain the stability of the pound approximately at its present level", but some of Mr Healey's colleagues argued that one should look elsewhere for the "fall back" hints.

Mr Healey, answering Mr David Howell, of the Conserva-

Chancellor's Mr Carter rules against State Department and leaves ILO United Nations which subsidize From Patrick Brogan on its fiftieth anniversary in

Washington, Nov 1

The United States will leave the International Labour Organization on Saturday. The two years' notice required by the ILO constitution was given in 1975 by President Ford and Dr Henry Kissinger, the then Secretary of State, and the Administration announced today that it would not revoke its decision to withdrawn. decision to withdrawn.

decision to withdrawn.

The announcement was made this afternoon by Mr Ray Marshall, Secretary of Labour. He said American efforts "to restore the ILO to its original principles" had failed. He offered four reasons for the decision.

2. It made irresponsible charges ngainst countries without pro-per evidence.

3. Extremeous political matters were injected frequently into

The American withdrawal will

the ILO.

Mr Marshall said the United teates hoped it would be able to rejoin tehe ILO at some future date, when it had reformed itself. He admitted, however, tehat he had no idea

of how long that would take.

The withdrawal has been urged vehemently upon the Government by Mr George Meany, president of the Americans. can Federation of Labour— Congress of Industrial Organizations. He is a rigid anti-communist and deplores having any contact at all with com-munist unions and govern-

munist unions and governments.

Many other labour leaders disagree; Mr Douglas Fraser, president of the United Automobile Workers, for instance, told the President today he thought the country should stay in the ILO.

Mr Meany decided recently to continue in the presidency of the AFL-CIO, although he is 83, and Mr Carter has no wish to offend him.

The State Department had

The State Department had urged that America stay in the organization. on the ground that withdrawal would leave the communists in control.

The ILO, the only remaining account of the defunct Leave. agency of the defunct League of Nations, was created in 1919 to protect workers throughout the world against the bazards

1969. It has been the main source of statistics on workers' hours, pay, safety and related matters and has set up techni-cal training courses in Africa and Asia.

lc 1974 it condemned Israel for alleged racism and a year later gave observer status to the Palestine Liberation Organization. As a result, the United States walked out and served notice in 1975 that it would withdraw in two years unless the agency reformed it-

writes: If not surprised by the American decision, many people in the ILO and other United Nations agencies here are deeply disappointed. They had been convinced that the Administration would stay in and strive to put things right, as it saw them. The ILO had its contingency

plan ready and has carried out an economy programme in the two years since President Ford's Government gave the statutory two years notice of withdrawal, but the blow is a heavy one. The worldwide staff numbers 2,800. Rather more than half of them at headquarters where up to 300 posts are now liable to be in jeopardy.

There are prospects, however, of at least some supplementary funding becoming available.

Besieged tenant unmoved by new plea

By Alan Hamilton

The bouse looked just as if the builders were in, with spidery scaffolding climbing to draped over the third-storey bedroom windows of the yellow brick council block in Myddleton Passage, Islington, London.

Indeed, it should have been the builders, but Mr Stuart Brickell, a bachelor and selfemployed accountant, aged 42, is so determined to keep them out that he has barricaded him-self in his bedroom with barbed wire for nine days, living only on weter and twenty-minute

Mr William Erickell, a ired coal board worker from Folkestone, who adopted him from a Leeds orphanage when he was a child, arrived yester-day at the besieged flat with a vicar but left in half an lour efter a seemingly fruitless conversation.

Armed with a machete, Mr. Armen with a machete, hir Brickell chose to make his home a castle on Monday of last week, when Islington Council, with the help of bailiffs and police,

the help of balliffs and police, tried to gain entry to carry out rewiring and plumbing work.

Mr Brickell, who in January had written to the council not only agreeing to the work but requesting in addition a refuse chute, soundproofing, extra cupboards, a 5300 bond in case of damage, and a £6-a-day longing damage, and a £6-a-day lodging allowance while he moved out of the worknen's way, had a of the workness way, had a dramatic change of mind.
Yesterday there was no sign of Mr Brickell giving himself up, or any sign of Mr Brickell.
The plastic sheet covered his

movements. In the next bed-room a window swung idly in waited, listened, and according to reports, charted occasionally with the occupant on rugby, football, chess and Napoleon. A knot of bystanders peered over the shoulder of PC 167, manning the barricade single-handed and apparently felt sorry for the unseen marry. One woman who had been

there all morning remarked:
"I do not blome him for not
wanting the council in. You
should see what they did when
they took my bath out. I had
base new carbets."

to have new carpets."

At Islington council offices, where there is a 94-page file of correspondence with Mr Brickell, an official confessed that there had been complaints of had weatherneship in the of bad workmanship in the council's programme of bringre are prospects, however, least some supplementary g becoming available.

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Power cuts affect all areas

By Robert Parker

Power cuts caused by un-atticial action worsened vester-Lat, according to the Electricity Council. They were the most extensive so far in the two weeks of the protest action, with many more people affeced for longer periods than on

The Electricity Council said that not a town or city in Engand and Wales had not been partly affected during the day. Voltage reductions of at least o per cent had been operating throughout country.

The council said that today's cans would be worse than ves-ti-day's and more consumers disconnected. Cuts would start from breakfast time and zo on until the late evening.

Curs started in the North of Pagiand at 9.45 am yesterday

and 5 per cent of consumers we wishout electricity for up two cours. During the day the cuts spread south and grew until to per cent of the consumcase were cut off.

Cuts in London started dur-ing the rush hour. Traffic lights ere pur out of action—causing nfusion on busy roads. Policecolars developed. Generating boards were doing

their best to rotate the cuts so that the same areas did not setter too often. It is impossible to give advance warnings about where and when cuts will take place because of the nature of the action being taken by the members of the unions invelved, the council said.

Most of the men operating or overtime han and work-toiii. are members of the General Municipal Workers Union, out others belong to the Transent and Coneral Workers' in the Amargamated Union that neering Workers and the perment Electronic, Telecom-

Poison gas risk to families

Danyerous gas escaped from chemical factory owned by the feet of a famous comedy of antiquity, Menander's Misoumenos, has been rescued from oblivious by Professor Frie Turner. Professor of Panyrology at University College London, His researches have clarified the play, which until 1965 was known only from questations and four enigmatic scraps of papyrus Page 19 end families to get ready to endoate their homes. The intropy produces resid

Mr Gormley blames 'hysterical' left

Mr Arthur Scargill, left-wing president of the Yorkshire coal-field, who campaigned for a "No" yore against the 13-11 recommendation of the union's executive. largely moderate executive, hailed the outcome of the ballot as "a marvellous victory". He said it was a clear mandate to go for the full claim, adopted by the union's conference, which moderates had hoped would take second place to a self-financing productivity

Sir Derek Ezra, chairman of the National Coal Board, said: "We and the unions still have an undertaking to the Govern-ment going back to 1974 to introduce an effective incentive

"Since this is not going to be possible at this stage on the lines proposed, we and the NUM have an obligation to find other ways to improve productivity. It is vital for the future of the industry that the present down-ward trend should be reversed." Moral incentives have failed in the past, however, as has a "national" productivity scheme acceptable to the left. The un-

Mr Joseph Gorniley, NUM president, said the union's efforts would now be directed towards getting the best possible deal on wages so as to encourage miners in meet the production targets laid down in the industry's tripartite Plan for Coal signed in 1974.

Mr Gormley admitted that he was the many contracts of the production of the produ

was disappointed at the rejec-tion of the proposals and con-demned the "hysterical and misleading propaganda" of the left, "But even accounting for that, with such a massive 'No' our policy in the light of them

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certain financial future of an industry failing to pay its way clearly worries some NUM

vote I think the members do not want production bonus schemes", he said. "They want the right wage for the job."

There need not be a confrontation, he argued. "I do not know why everybody should assume that there will be a clash between the Government and the mion on pay. We have and the union on pay. We have submitted our claim to the board and we shall determine

decision:

1. The ILO applied unequal standards to its various mem-

labour questions.
4. Delegations from member countries were meant to consist of separate representatives of government, management and labour, but many countries could not produce independent

labour or employer organiza-

cost the ILO \$20m (£11m) and will be a serious blow to the organization. The Unite dStates will still continue to contribute to the general funds of the

Security staff at the Cana-

Ottawa, Nov 1

Hunt for bugging devices in Ottawa Parliament

of industrialization, and was awarded the Nobel peace prize

dian House of Commons worked into the early hours today looking for hidden microphones in MPs' offices. The search was ordered by the Speaker after Mr Elmer Mackay, a Conservative MP from Nova Scotia, told the House that a live bugging device had been found in the upholstery of the chair in his

office.

In addition to the break-in,
Mr Mackey raised a question the RCMP is also suspected of
of privilege just before the having stolen some dynamite
House launched a special from a Montreal construction

debate on recent disclosures that the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) security service carried out an illegal break in in Montreal in 1973 to obtain information about the separatist Parti Quebecois which is now the Quebec provincial Government.

The special debate lasted until nearly 3 am and was filled with Opposition allegations that the Liberal Government has to accept responsibilburnt to prevent a meeting there in 1972 between members of the terrorist Front de Liberation du Québèc

ment has to accept responsibil-ity for excesses committed by the police.

The barn apparently

(FLQ) and Black Panchers from the United States. A Royal Commission was his office checked for electropic devices could have it to look into the operations of done.

The RCMP, after it was discounted the RCMP, after it was discounted the result of the RCMP. closed that the security service Solicitor-General, who has carried out an illegal raid on responsibility for the RCMP, the offices of a left-wing Mon-said in a statement the police

expert who sometimes "runs covert activities for authorized agencies", including the RCMP.

Later, the Speaker called in the Whips of the four parties in the Commons to inform them that any MP who wanted his office checked for elec-

treal news agency, also in 1972. had informed him to Mr. Mackay told the were not responsi Commons that the microphone installation of the derin his office was found by a in Mr Mackay's office. had informed him that they were not responsible for installation of the device found

Air control assistants agree to accept offer

their 10-week-old strike. They plan to return to work tomorrow afternoon and say services should be back to normal by

Voting for a return was 353 to 214, but the 750 members of the Civil and Public Services Mr Healey, answering Mr David Howell, of the Conservative front bench, had said proteinal conflict could arise between the exchange rate policy, interest rate policy and monetary policy.

Continued on page 2, col 7 give them a lump sum payment

Britain's air traffic control of £315 now and a minimum of assistants have voted to accept 14 per cent and a maximum of the latest pay offer of the Civil 18 per cent on April 1.

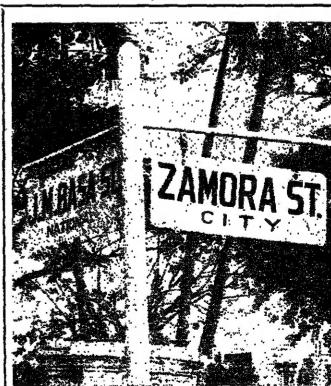
Aviation Authority and end The alternative, which was

The alternative, which was rejected, would have contained the £315, and an additional 10 per cent from next April, with any pay award under the Civil Service annual review.

The strike cost the union just

under £300,000. Our Air Correspondent writes The protracted dispute is estimated to have cost the civil aviation industry about £40m in lost revenue. British Airways pur its loss at £30m and British

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Michael Church on Hammer and Sickle (Thames, tonight): Irving Wardle on The



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Foreign Office explains vetoes on S Africa

The Foreign Office said that Britain's vetoing on Monday of United Nations Security Council resolutions calling for sactions against South Africa was consistent with declared Western policy. The resolutions—which were also veloced by the United States and France—bad been tabled in March and the -had been tabled in March and the Western powers had already said they would vote against several of them. Moreover, they did not like the wording of the arms embargo resolution, which saw alleged "persistent military action by South Africa as the main threat to peace, rather than internal repression Page 8

Light on old play

Close AUEW poll

Mr Terence Duffy, Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers executive mem-ber for the Midlands and chosen candidate of the union's moderate wing, came first of 10 contenders in a ballot for the presidency. Second was Mr Robert Wright, the leading left-wing challenger Page 2

Chrysler threat

Prison changes

obtain drink and drugs.

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Chrysler's managing director Mr George Lacy and his deputy were called to the Department of Industry for talks as Government fears grew that another financial crisis was threatening the car firm. Chrysler lost £19m in the first nine months of this year, against a profit forecast for 1977 of \$300,000 Page 21

Changes have been made in the running of the special unit at Barlinnie prison,

Glasgow. They come after allegations

that the inmates were able to have sexual intercourse in their cells and

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Jubilee travels end

The Queen is due to fly home from Barbados in Concorde today, ending the silver jubilee tours which have taken her 56,000 miles through 13 countries. There is much satisfaction among the royal party about the way the tours have Page 7

Protest over CIA man Senator Frank Church, who was chairman of a Senate investigation into the Central Intelligence Agency, expressed dismay at the news that Mr Richard Helms, former Director of the CIA. probably will not go to jail for lying to

Youth unemployment: The Manpower Services Commission faces a dispute with pressure groups over the Govern-ment's youth unemployment programme Radiation hazards: A call was made at the Windscale inquiry for a reorganized

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Close first ballot for presidency of engineering union leaves fine line between left and right

Labour Reporter

The succession to Mr Hugh Scanlon as president of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers was finely the Cowley convenor who led balanced between right and left the Leyland toolmakers' strike resterday after a first hallot in carlier this year. which only 356 votes separated the two main contenders.

Mr Terence Duffy, the union's executive member for

the Midlands and chosen candidate of the moderate wing topped the poll aver nine other candidates with \$1,959 votes. In a second ballot, in March, he will face the leading left. Leyland are usually regarded as wing challenger. Mr Robert crossing the normal political Wright, one of the union's two boundaries within the union, assistant general secretaries, who came second, with 83.603

Both candidates regarded the country of the country

The company, which pleaded

guite through its liquidator to 14 charges of selling obsecue

material for gain, was fined a total of \$700, as was Mr Ronald

Hot-dog trader fined

cornings limit but believe that

policemen should be exempted an opinion poll published

80% back earnings limit

but want police exempted

A factor that will certainly help to swing the balance will he the course adopted by those who voted for Mr Roy Fraser,

Mr Fraser was the most successful of the candidates who are now eliminated, coming third with 19,071 votes. Many of the Leyland toolmakers and many other skilled workers who voted for Mr Fraser remain an unpredictable factor.

Fraser's supporters at Levland are usually regarded as crossing the normal political although the left wing is likely to woo their vote strongly.

Most supporters of Mr Iao

couraging for their chances in port and won 12,137 votes, can the second ballot. port and won 12,137 votes, can be expected to vote for Mr

The union's right wing can draw encouragement from the fact that in one of two elections for a national organizer post Mr John Byrne, a moderate candidate, decisively beat the militant Mr Rouald Halverson by 142,647 votes to \$2,383. The other election at that grade goes to a second ballot. A second ballot will also be

held for the executive post held by Mr Leslie Dixon, the executive's only communist member, who recorded 15,444 votes in the first poll. Mr Edmund Scrivens, his challenger, topped the poil with 16,694 votes. In the other executive elec-L. F. Edmundson, who is retir-

'A friend of France' buys furniture and objets d'art valued at \$5m

Sale of Wildenstein collection is called off

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

The sale of the Wildenstein collection of furniture and. works of art, billed by Sotheby's as the most important dispersal of French furniture since the Hamilton Palace sale of 1882, is not to take place. A single, unnamed purchaser has been found for

an art lover and connoisseur, and a great friend of France, has-become the new owner." Mr Peter Wilson, chairman of Sotheby's, said the furniture would probably stay in France.

In fact, it has only just got there. Although the great Wildenstein dynasty of art dealers built their empire in arranged by Wild Poris, most of the furniture rather than Sotheby's. the entire collection, valued at about 55m.

Some some additions from London cod: "In order to preserve intact this marvellous collection the truth, and the came from their East 64th some additions from London and Geneva. "About three-intact this marvellous collection quarters is already in Nice"

d'art of the eighteenth century, is probably in the air." The suffer... The identity of the buyer had Monte Carlo on December 10 and 11.

Mr Wilson said the cancellation was a sudden development and since it was "at the request of the vendors", according to Sotheby's statement, the deal appears to have been arranged by Wildenstein's

Mr Wilson commented that Sotheby's had never dealt with the purchaser. He declined to discuss Sotheby's financial posi-

of French furniture and objets. Mr Wilson said, "and the rest but presumably they will not

the art market guessing yesterday. The sale was to contain some 200 lots of superb French furniture, objets d'art and carpets. There are few people who can accommodate so bulky an acquisition, let alone find the \$5m or more to pay for it. huver was not a museum. Sotheby's promised further information regarding the matter will be available in

due course" tion in the light of the deal, Other sale room news. page 19

Mr Mulley calls for early report on Ulster troops' accommodation

Colonel Cubiss said that in

He compared life at the Cross-

maglen base to life in a sub-marine. "We got mortared there last year and as a result built a bunker and the space there is not as much as we would like. It is cramped but safe." The men in the base had

arrivals sometimes wonder what all the fuss was about.

"She appeared to bend down to her right and was completely out of my view. It seemed a long time. . . I do not know how long, but I got nervous. I was trembling and kept looking over my shoulder towards the door where I bad come in.

"Although I could not see the girl I could hear the sound of paper rustling. I became impatient and thrust the gun

Accused man tells how girl bank clerk was shot

"She appeared to bend down thought I heard a muffled her right and was completely scream."

Mr Mulley, Secretary of State, buildings in Belfast, had been for Defence, has called for an abandoned this year. urgent report ou soldiers. accommodation in Northern ireland after allegations that some troops are living in poor

conditions.
Mr Airey Neave, Conservative mr Airey Neave, Conservative spokesman on Northern Ireland, who was a prisoner of war in Colditz castle during the Second World War, said recently that the living quarters of some soldiers in Ulster were

worse than in a prison camp. Colonel Malcolm Cubiss, who is in charge of Army accommo-dation in Northern Ireland, said vesterday that there was sub-standard accommodation and that some of the men were in hadly over-crowded conditions. Six or seven bases housing between 500 and 600 men were well below par, but conditions were being improved

all the time. Last year £875,000 was spent on making the soldiers' condi-tions more acceptable while not come under mortar attack they were on duty in the for the past year and new province. Nine substandard arrivals sometimes woodered bases, most of them converted

Michael Hart told the Central

Criminal Court yesterday about

the last moments in the life

of Angela Wooliscroft, a bank

clerk, at Ham Parade, Rich-

He said that, beavily dis-

guised, he approached the girl's

counter at Barclays bank armed

with a sawn-off shotgun, "As I

approached the till I uncovered

the muzzle of the gun. I levelled it at the counter", he

mond-upon-Thames.

exploded in a furniture store in the New Lodge area of Belfast yesterday and caused a fire which swept through the pre-The worst conditions were in the south Armagh border zone, in south Londonderry and in Belfast's market district. In the last area 60 soldiers are housed Three men carried out the

attack. One waited in a car in a crumbling Methodist miswhile two others entered the shop with a gun and a parcel containing the bomb. A second bomb later exploded sion hall and a converted public house. Thirty sleep in the draughty mission hall, and in the public house the men sleep in triple-tier bunks, 12 to a room measuring 15ft by 12ft. in a garage a short distance away. No one was burt.

Attempted murder charge : Petrick Francis Gallagher, a south Armagh the buildings used by the troops were in exactly the right place and there was no ground available for expansion. plant hire contractor, of Verbena Avenue, Dublin, and Mrs Ann Burns, of Evera Cres-cent, Howth, appeared in court to Dublin yesterday, charged with attempting to murder Garda Kieran Mulderig at Townemoy, co Leitrim, on September 13 (a Staff Reporter writes). They were remanded on bail until November 7.

ber 7.

Mr Gallagher is a brother of Eddie Gallagher, who is serving a 20-year sentence for the 1975 kidnapping of Dr Tiede Herrems, a Dutch industrialist. 1975.

Mr Hart said he stood numbed. The blast of the gun gave him a shock and blew him back a pace. He stepped

towards the counter, saw the money in the counter trough, took it and left the bank.

of the fact of the bans. Mr Hart, aged 38, formerly of St Peter's Road, Baringstoke, Hampshire, has pleaded not guilty to the murder of Miss Wooliscroft, aged 20, but guilty

wooliscroft, aged 20, but guilty to manslaughter, on November 10 last year. The prosecution has not accepted his plea.

Mr Hart said his doctor advised him to give up manual work because of an injured back. "This worried me because it was a limited to be a line of the said of the s

General Timothy Creasy, aged 54, arrived in Ulster yesterday to take over as GOC and Director of Military Operations Northern Ireland in the rank of Lieutenant-General. He succeeds Lieutenant-General Sir David House, who is retiring to become Black Rod in the House or Lords. General Creasy, an experienced counter-insurgency soldier, served in Aden, Kenya and Oman, where, between 1972 and 1975, he commanded the Sultan's armed forces against communist rebels. He has been Director of Infantry since June.

started committing a number of criminal offences."

on the day he set out to rob the benk. That morning he

went to Basingstoke police sta-

tion to report, and then bought some tan make-up.

"I bought it intending to disguise myself for the purpose of
robbing a bank", he said.
After leaving the bank he
drove back to Kingston and
transferred back to a car he had

hired. While driving along the

M3 the car broke down and he called in the RAC. He was still

very shocked The trial, before Mr Justice Melford Stevenson, continues

He was awaiting trial on bail

Clash likely over plan for jobless

By Our Labour Stuff

The Manpower Services Commission faces a clash with local authorities and pressure groups after deciding to reject demands for more local control of the Mr Wilson confirmed that the Government's youth unemplayment programme.

A confidential letter from Mr Richard O'Brien, chairman of the commission, to Mr Booth, Secretary of State for Empley ment, discloses that it decided against representation. made to it by a majority of 400 bodies whom it consulted on

the programme. The commission proposes to run the schente, intended in start in September, 1978, through 28 area boards, which will include two representatives each from the unions, em-ployers and local authorities. The letter accepts that mon-

local authorities had unted many more, smaller, area boards to allow more community participation in schemes for the unemployed. However, it comments that such proposals would have led

to too fragmented a system and the extra administrative costs could have been too heavy. That cless is certain to be

challenged by youth leaders and some professionals in careers and employment who say a rigid, more centralized system would be costlier and more, not less, bureaucratic

Their opinion was voiced yesterday by leaders of Youthaid, the most broadly based and influential of pressure groups on youth unemployment, in a meeting with Mr Gulding. Under-Secretary of State for Employment.

The group, which includes MPs, expressed suspicions that the Government intended to and told the minister that they would also be dismerted if there was no provision for unem-ployed young people themselves be renresented on the letter mentions no such provi-

Their annovance has been increased by reports that 700 extra civil servants, employed by the commission, will be needed to service the bounds and administer the government unemployment programme.

The programme plans to progovernment training programme by Easter, 1979, for everyone who has left school in Septem-ber, 1978.

Mr Christopher Brooks, director of Youthaid, said the scheme would involve "giant offices covering large areas_of the country, supervised by 700 civil servants with no experi-

Tories want intensive Comics and obscene care on health service books shown

A period of "intensive care " After hearing that a book-hop in Yeavil. Somerset, had for the National Health Service is recommended in a twodisplayed objective magazines on the same shelf as children stage Conservative plan outlined restorday by Dr Gerard comics. Judge Best said at Teumon Crown Court yester-day: "I feel pity for people who need to buy there maganes, but I have nothing but period to be to be the period to be to be to be the period to be to at | Vaughan, Tory spokesman on The first stage would be a period of cossering for the ser-

desperately low, he said. He empeasized that radical changes, such as charging patients, would be reserved for them for gain. I have looked through these books and magaines with utter disgust. They must portray every kind of sexual perversion known to man." the second phase of the scheme. Speaking at a London Conference of the Institute of Practitioners in Work Study. The court was told that more than 400 books and mary more magazines were saized by the gallen in December, 1975, from a shop in Middle Street, Yeavil nargazines were seized by the nargazines were seized by the parties in December, 1975, from a shop in Middle Street, Yeovil being run by Bonus Books Ltd.

a Plymouth-based company. It has gone into liquidation.

The Datient was so sick, he said, that if many changes were made quickly, no matter how desirable, they could not have the effect intended. Cotter, manager of the Yeavil into, who admitted 14 similar

In stude one the Tories would and further tax concessions on simplify the administration, health insurance premiums.

making the service more patient-oriented, making clear that while the state provided the resources, it would leave the professionals to get on with

The NHS would again become a local service, with local nurses, doctors, porters and technicians able to make decisions to avoid the present "quagmire" of meaningless duplication. The private sector would be

The private sector would be encouraged. The Conservatives believed there was no conflict between the private sector and the NHS. "and that every penny spent privately is a penny saved that can be spent in other ways within the NHS". In stage two, if the Royal Commission on the National Health Service was in favour, the Tories would have no objection to moving towards a system of total insurance cover. Charges, 100, would be an option, with a special health tax, earmarked for the NHS,

Remand on kidnap charge

Marlborough Street magisimmediate closure of mice-infested premises in Soho, Lon-German telecommunications engineer, was remanded in cudon, used by an unlicensed tody for a week in London yes-arcer her-dog trader. Ejder terday on an extradition war-Shefket, of Covent Garden, who rant alleging that he had undon, used by an unlicensed tody for a week in London year in greener extraution proceed her dog trader. Ejder treday on an extradition was ings. Inspector Peter Rei Shefket, of Covent Garden, who craft alleging that he had unverse fined £300 with £23 costs lawfully detained Felix Wessel, in court. Mr Petersen s, for six hygiene ofteness.

a boy of four, in Hamburg wanted to see a lawyer.

Jurgen Petersen, aged 26, a between October 16 and 24, The remand is to give the West German Government time to prepare extradition proceed-ings. Inspector Peter Reichard, of the West German police, was in court. Mr Petersen said he

forward at the glass partition. "I intended to say 'Hurry up' but I did not get the words out. After the first syllable the gun went off. "I had intended saying: Give me some money. I "My left band was on the muzzle of the shotgun. I did not see the girl. I did not know what I had done. I thought I might have hit her because I' because I imagine the girl saw the gun and she left her position.

The survey asked: According to a survey by the Copinion Research Centre last next Budget if average pay weekend among 1.011 people. Increases are kent to 10 per note 23 per cent think the miners should be given the same exemption. The survey also shows that 54 per cent believe union leaders who ask for a rise of more than 10 per cent are behaving seltishly.

The poll asked people whether they thought employers who give in to pay

> Mr Michael Hanley, aged 37, Air Alichael Hailey, aged 37, of Deal, carrier nut salvage and installation work at the pir face, working in water. Murried with four children, he takes home 160 a week for working a night shift five days a week. That includes about an hour a day overtime, and a special working allowance. "I am not surprised at the result as we do not want to go

industry."
If his wife did not work he If his wife did not work he would find it difficult to manage on his present wage.

About a tenth of the miners or his pit live in coal board houses and pay about £5 a week rent. The board is offering the houses for sale to tenunts.

Past experience points to a

less encouraging course of events. Once robbed of support for moderate policies expressed through a rank-and-file vote, the right-wingers have shifted their

ground over to militancy.

That, historically, was how the strikes of the early seventies began, and the left is clearly looking for a similar closing of

ranks behind the wage claim.

Mr Michael McGahey, Scots
miners' leader and national

rice-president of the union, said the executive should now acti-rate the £135 demand. "This

is a gross wage, not take-home pay, and after the beanfeast that the Chancellor has handed

the City by floating the pound the miners are entitled to insist

on a wage that they can earn with decency and dignity." The other risk, of pit closures,

nas raised last night by Mr Sidney Vincent, the Lancashire miners secretary. Without more productivity "the pressure

productivity "the pressure could well be on to close the more uneconomical pits", he egid.

Mr Joseph Burke, aged 63, has been a miner for 50 years, and spent all his working life at the coalface until an accident two years ago. Working on the surface, he takes home about £35 a week.

He says that the union and

the coal board attempted to foist the incentive scheme on to miners without proper consultation. "They are attempting to shove something down our throats when we do not fully know what it involves."
When he retices early next July, he says he will receive a lump sum of £500. When he is

65 his pension will be £6.24 a Ronald Faux reports from Kirkcaldy: As far as under-

Fife vesterday was. The result of the ballot was announced in spidery print outside the union office. "Rejected" was all the noice said, and the news was passed man to man throughout the colliery.

On some faces a grin broke

On some faces a grin broke through the coul dust, but most received it with a shrug. It had been inevitable and reflected the 82 per cent vote in Scottish coalfields for rejecting the productivity scheme.

Mr John Galloway, a young miner, said: "It was a bad scheme as far as we could understand it although no one."

by misleading advertisements in the national press by York-shire miners. He said he thought Mr McGahey's opposition to the productivity scheme was "political", adding: "I think he is lowering the standards of intelligence of the

dards of intelligence of the mineworker. I do not know one worker in Lancashire who

would endanger his own life to

increase production by one tiny piece of coal."

Wales miners' president, said he was delighted with the ballor

result. He and other area offic-

ials had campaigned against the

pounds spent by the coal board in trying to persuade the men to vote in favour they have

failed yet again. It proves that the miners do not want piece-

ballor on indortal or from would be "on the cords" if

"With all the thousands of

productivity scheme.

Mr Emlyn Williams, South

would have set man against man and pit against pit it would have been back to the old days. Mick McGabey is old days. Mick McGahey is right, carrots are for donkeys."
The Seafield workers are sensitive about rewards. Their colliery, which employs 1,900, is among the biggest and most modern in Scotland. But it is also among the most difficult

slso among the most difficult to work in Britain. The coal seams run four miles below the Firth of Forth and are steeply angled.
"You earn your money here. To get out the same amount of coal takes a lot more effort. How do you translate that into productivity?" another miner

the Government would find an alternative scheme. It was not a foregone conclusion that there would be a clash between the miners and the Government. The last time that happened was surely a warning to everyone. "I doubt if anyone believes that the £135 claim will succeed, but it is a good enough starting point", was one comment.

was one comment.

Most agreed that a happy
medium would be achieved
that would leave Mr Callaghan

workers' official at the pit doubted the motives of some union officials. "They want a fight and they do not care who derstand it, although no one fight and they do not care who actually spelt out the details. It is with a Labour government or Margaret Thatcher. Only one man in five, so with deductions it would have amounted to about £4 a week all."

Strike stops ferry sailing

Earl Godwin missed its second the crew. It was the Channel Islands third day without a ferry from Britain, Crews on other boars have jo

British Red, said: "We have fom invested in this venture. I am confident the paster will be eatled soon."

Order against badgers

Chancellor's hint of 'market pressures'

appropriate action. But I should be foolish in the extreme if I were to give; sny indication of what I regarded as appropriate police."

Ameasures. Yet to have amounted in advance that the pound would be allowed to appreciate would have distracted from the presentation of the transfer.

market pressures".
The past month's inflows of foreign

measures. of the tax-cut package.

basking in the bopes of new-found prosperity from oil.

The hidden and dramatic improvement of the pound illustrated the terrifying dan-gers into which a nation with

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he Root at the London Hilton.

as well as 'the wage for the job' Four fifths of the population demands above 10 per cent From Gooffrey Browning In common with all miners, for most men. We could have Mr Hanley is entitled to 15cwt done better under phase two." Another miner said: "It might because of a strike by

Kent men want to see radical changes

think workers should support should be allowed to pass the the Government's 10 per cent extra cost on to the public. Deal

There is no future for incentive bonus schemes for miners, Mr Gerry Harrison, National Union of Mineworkers' branch secretary for the Betteshanger colliery near Sandwich, Kent, said vesterday, after hearing the result of the miners' ballot.
"Miners must now get the wage for the job", he said.
"There is a good majority against the 'coal bourd's scheme, and it will not create any internecine arguments."

He said that many of the 1,300 miners at the colliery were pleased at the result and

wanted to see a radical re-organization of the industry.

result, as we do not want to go back working a piece-rate system." he said. "We want a realistic wage for the sort of job we are daing."

Despite working in filthy conditions, he says he does not mind the job. "The people I work with are more sociable and helpful than in any other industre."

ground workers allow them-selves to be jubilant, the back shift at Seafield colliery in

Other workers expected that the union, the coel board and the Government would find an

in power.

A National Union of Mine-

Rejection of deal 'political move'

On the BBC 2 Newsday pro-gramme last night he said the ballot result had been swayed Protest action: The afternoon shift of about a hundred miners at Hucknall colliery, near Nottingham, refused to go down the pit after hearing the result of the ballot (our Nottingham Correspondent writes). About 66 per cent of Nottingham-

> the productivity deal.
>
> Leaders of the men involved in the protest action said miners stood to lose up to £20 a week Liberal fears: Mr John Pardoe, Liberal Party economic spokes-man, said the ballot decision was bad news for Britain (the Press Association reports). The vote made it doubtful whether there was such a thing us an effective miners' leadership with whom to negotiate, he said.

Mr Feier Walker, a former

Consc wrive minister said the Gove ont would crumble

shire's miners voted to accept

work. Now we can go all out for the pay deniand. He predicted that a national pressures of the miners attitude was indicator as to the he Government are losing the war on incomes

The British Rail car ferry

dispute. Mr Peter Parker, chairman of British Rail, said: "We have

The Ministry of Agriculture has made a special order for the continued gassing of West Country badger serts where tuberculosis is found.

policy."

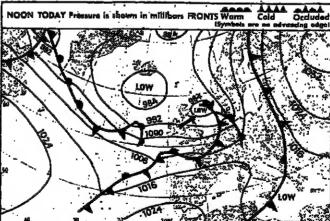
Then, in answering Bryan Gould, a Labour opponent of the policy of allowing appreciation of the pound, Mr Healey slipped in that one of the lessons learnt by all finance ministers was that "there are fairly strict limits within which it is possible to withstand

foreign funds had again impressed the Chancellor, it is

ingredients for cleaster: Mr James Prior, AtP for Lowestoft and opposition spokesman on employment, said in Exeter less night that the Government was

a strong currency but a weak industrial base could fall. Reasons for floating, page 21

Weather forecast and recordings



Today Director. Cero. al. N. NW. NE. England: Cloudy with rain becoming brighter with scattered showers; wind SW strong to gale becoming moderate; max temp 11° or 12°C (52° to 54°F). Moon sets : Moon rises : Moon sets: Moon rises:
12.11 pm 9.39 pm
Last quarter: November 4.
Lighting up: 5.2 pm to 6.27 am.
High water: London Bridge,
5.4 am, 6.5m (21.5ft); 5.30 pm,
6.5m (21.3ft). Avonmonth,
10.11 am, 11.3m (36.9ft);
10.32 pm, 10.8m (35.5ft). Dover,
2.6 am, 6.0m (19.7ft); 2.29 pm,
5.7m (18.7ft). Euli, 9.24 am, 6.3m
(20.6ft); 9.28 pm, 6.4m (21.0ft).
Liverpool, 2.21 am, 7.9m (26.0ft);
2.36 pm, 80m (26.2ft).

A depression over N England will move away NE, later a trough of low pressure may move E across S England.

Across S England.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:
London, SE, E, ceietral S, SW
England, Channel Islands: Mostly
cloudy, some rain at times; wind
SW, strong or gale, becoming
fresh; max temp 12°C (54°F).

Wales: Sunny intervals, octaslonal showers; wind SW, strong

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : C cloud ; f, fair ;

11° or 12°C (52° to 54°F).

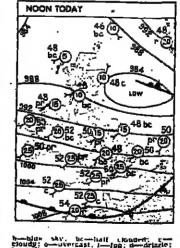
Isle of Man, SW, NW Scotland, Glasgow, central Highlands. Argyll, N Ireland: Sunny intervals; occasional showers: wind variable medstate become SW firesh; max temp 3°C (48°F).

Borders. Edinburgh, Dundee. Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland: Cloudy, occasional rain; becoming brighter with scattered showers; wind SE strong becoming SW moderate; max temp 9°C (48°F).

Orkney. Shetland: Mostiv

becoming moderate; max 10° or 11°C (50° to 52°F). East Anglia, Midlands.

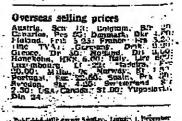
Orkney. Shedand: Mostive cloudy; occasional rain; wind SE fresh or strong becoming SW moderate; max temp 8°C (46°F). Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Unsertled and windy at the state of the strong but also times with rain in places but also bright intervals; rather cold in Scotland, normal temp elsewhere.

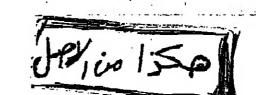


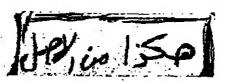
Sea passages: S North Sea.
Strait of Dover, English Channel
(E): Wind SW, gale or severe
gale, becoming strong; sea high,
becoming rough.
St George's Channel: Wind SW,
gale, becoming strong; sea rough.
Irish Sea: Wind W, gale, becoming SW, strong; sea rough.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 6 am to 6 pm, 14°C (57°F): inln. 6 pm to 6 am, 7°C (45°F). Humidley, 6 pm, 74 per cent. Rain, 23 hr to 6 pm, 0.01in. Sun, 24 hr to 6 pm, 3.6 hr. Bar: mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,011.4 millibars, falling.
1,000 millibars=29.53in.







-"Almost five years ago to the day, Beryl 'showed."

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One might imagine the jubilation of a drilling crew, at the moment a North Sea field like Beryl is discovered, as that of the winning side in the Cup Final.

It's not that way at all, actually. The first show of oil from any well—like that which appeared at 9,850 feet in the Beryl field log for September 1972 (opposite)—is simply one of the many expensive answers needed to confirm the presence of oil in commercial quantities.

The initial indication that there is any at all appears in rock chips carried by the complex liquid mixture known as 'drilling mud', as it returns to the surface after having been pumped down the hollow drill pipe to cool and lubricate the drilling bit and flush out the cuttings. Once the presence of oil has been confirmed, the task of finding out how much—and how best to recover it—falls to reservoir engineers like Mobil's Rick Redmore.

"Reservoir engineering is largely an art", he says. "Our job is to get information about something you can't see — an oil-bearing rock formation as deep as two miles below the sea bed".

The only access Redmore and his associates have to their subject—in Beryl's case, an area equal to that of Central London—are the wells themselves. These are holes only a foot in diameter.

Their work employs an array of instruments which can be lowered down the wellbore to investigate the well electronically. This, in turn, helps determine where to drill other wells in order to drain the field of its recoverable oil.

Changes in reservoir pressure during initial well tests are also an important clue to the amount of oil present. As Rick Redmore explains, "if you let a relatively small amount of air escape from a Mini tyre, there is a sharp drop in pressure. If you do it to a big truck tyre, the pressure drops very little, because of the large quantity of air in the tyre. Different sized oil reservoirs behave like different sized tyres".

The initial, or exploration, wells in any block—like the Beryl field—are drilled from floating rigs leased by the licence holders. It costs around £30,000 a day, depending on demand, to rent and operate a rig. Wildcat wells can take 90-120 days to drill.

In the high stakes game of North Sea oil, the critical decision to shift a newly-found reservoir from exploration to production status by committing to the huge cost of facilities like the Beryl complex—from which the producing wells will be drilled and the field managed—depends in large measure on the scientific artistry of reservoir engineers like Rick Redmore.

In his judgement, Beryl should support the economic risk on the basis of an estimated 400 million barrel reserve of recoverable oil, a peak production rate of some 90,000 barrels a day, and a producing life extending over some 25 years.



Changes in running of unit for violent prisoners in Glasgow

From Ronald Faux

Changes have been made in the running of the special unit at Barlinnie prison, Glasgow, which houses some of the most violent prisoners in Scotland. They come after allegations that the inmates were able to have sexual intercourse in their cells and to obtain drugs and drink.

Giving details of the changes, Mr Millan. Secretary of State for Scotland, said yesterday that until further notice only official visitors, approved prison visitors, relatives and close friends would be allowed. Visits by former prisoners would no longer be permitted.

Mr Millan said that, while the work of the unit would con-tinue along the broad principles of the past, he was concerned to eliminate weaknesses that might

He is reviewing the unit after He is reviewing the unit after the death of a prisoner there and disclosed the changes in letters sent yesterday to Mr Edward Taylor, Conservative MP for Glasgow Cathcart, and opposition spokesman on Scot-tish affairs, and Mr Norman Buchan, Labour MP for Ren-trowships West. frewshire, West.

Mr Millan said the unit had largely succeeded at considerable cost in staff resources in containing prisoners without violence and in socializing them to a remarkable degree in the light of their past histories.

The death of an inmate. Mr Laurence Winters, appeared to be a serious serback and to

wise a record of considerable success but it would be premature to attempt a final judgment until the fotal accident inquiry into Mr Winters's death had been completed.

Mr Milfan said the unit was small and visits had taken place in the cells because suitable accommodation was not available. "An ex-inmate has claimed he had intercourse in his cell with his wife and allegations have been made that other inmates also had sexual relations in their cells", he added, "I have not been able to establish whether there is any rruth in these allegations but I am concerned that in the past supervision of visits was not sufficently close.

Instructions were issued in July regarding much closer supervision by the staff, and these had been further reinforced." Mr Millan said that the prac-tice of passing parcels to inmates unopened had not been discontinued.

There will be no change in the permission granted to inmates to wear their own clothes or to have radio, tele vision, tape recorders and their wrist watches. On security, he said that future precautions taken in the unit would include searches at irregular intervals. Mr Taylor said vesterday he was July satisfied with Mr Millon's action and complime tail bim on announcing it. The unly unanswered question was how things had been allowed to slide so far.

SNP upset by 'skunks' comment on industrialists

Scottish National Party leaders publicly dissociated themselves yesterday from comments by Mrs Margo MacDonald, the nurty's senior vice-chairman, about a report by Scottish industrialists.

Mrs MacDonald called members of the Scottish Council (Development and Industry) "skunks" for saving in a report, published on Monday, report, published on Monday, that some people drawing unemployment benefit were working "on the side".

Among the members of the Scottish Council, an organization drawn from both sides of industry, are two SNP leaders: Mr William Wolfe and Mr Tom MacAlpine

MacAlpine. In a letter to Lord Clydesmuir, the council's chairman, yesterday, Mr Wolfe expressed continued support for the council. He said some of the report's observations had been discussed "in terms which I personally regret"

personally regret". Mr Douglas Crawford MP, the official SNP spokesman for the official SNP spakesman for industry, has also written to the council, dissociating the party from "recent criticisms which have been made". He said yesterday: "I think that Margo's criticisms were unfounded and unworthy.

"I would add that the Scottish Council has done more than any other body to rejuvenate Scottish industry since the war." the war."

Mr Wolfe said that Mrs

MacDonald's comments were of a personal nature, and she did not face any party censure or

Students failed tests of basic English

New BBC conductor: Gennadi Rozhdest-

vensky, the Russian conductor, seen above

with his wife, Victoria Postnikova, the

planist, has been appointed chief conduc-

tor of the BBC Symphony Orchestra. The

orchestra made the announcement after

13 months of negotiations with the Soviet

authorities (our Music Reporter writes).

Mr Robert Ponsonby, the BBC's controller

of music, said Mr Rozhdestvensky would

spend two or three months with the

orchestra each year, conducting between twenty and thirty concerts anually.

By Our Education Correspondent

Basic tests in English grammar. vocabulary and compre-bension, given to some firstyear students at Bradford University over the pust three years, have produced "staggering" results, according to Mr Trevor Hernshaw, head of the university's educational developments ment service.

Of 80 first-year students who took the test in the first two years, about 18, a third of them British, performed so badly that it was necessary to give them intensive remedial courses in English for three hours a week throughout the first term. After a similar test at the end of that period about half the students continued with a further four months of remedial classes. This year 12 students have been put in the remedial group; two are

Mr Hernshaw said some students were unable to compre-hend a fairly easy passage of is from overseas.

English prose. There was also a marked inability to select the important items in a passage when asked to provide a sum-

Spelling was weak and grant-matical mistakes showed lack of understanding of what con-stituted a sentence. Single subjects were found with plural verbs and adverbs were mis-placed and misused. Last week students in the English department of Huli University refused to take similar tests administered by Professor Arthur Pollard after the university's student union had pointed out that Professor Pollard was well known as a Black Paperite" and critic of comprehensive schools. The union recommended that the should not be taken. Mr Hernshaw said the Bradford tests were devised to belp the large numbers of students whose mother tougue was not English, One in eight of the

Mr Rozhdestvensky's first appearance with the orchestra as chief conductor will be at the Promenade Concerts next autumn. The soloist will be his wife, a leading musician in her own right. The BBC orchestra has a romantic significance for them. Miss Postnikova explained that although they are both Russian they first met in London in 1969, when they gave a concert together with the BBCSO. Michael Gielen, music director of the Frankfurt Opera, has been appointed chief guest conductor of the BBCSO in place of Pierre Boulez. services are much in demand and yester-day BBC executives were beaming oroudly as they presented their new star in London. Asked why he had chosen to accept an appointment with the BBCSO, Mr Rozhdestvensky said "I find this orchestra one of the best symphony orchestras in the world." Aged 46, he has been chief conductor of the Bolshoi Theatre and of the USSR Radio and Television Symphony Orchestra. He is now musical director of the Moscow Chamber Opera and has just completed a three-year contract as principal conductor Tory study of ways to vet school standards

of the Stockholm Philharmonic Orchestra:

Mr Rozhdestvensky's first appearance with

In the musical world Mr Rozhdestvensky's

services are much in demand and yester-

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make a full-scale study on how
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Mr St Jehn-Stevas, spokes-man on education, has asked man on education, has asked the party's research department for a full brief on the matter. He wants to find out what the standards should be, what type of test should be given and at what ages. Mr Rhodes Boyson, a junior spokesman on education, has been advocating national standardized testing of all children at ized testing of all children at the ages of 7, 11 and 14.

The only official party policy a model standardized test and on the subject at present is a national bese-line against that national standards should be reintroduced for the three gauge their own pupil's per-Rs and that performance in formance.

be effectively monitored. How or when is not mentioned.

will include the sensitive quas-tion of national testing of pupils' performance, on which the party has no firm policy the party has no firm policy ing possible testing schemes.

Lancashire is to start tests in

Lancashire is to start tests in English and mathematics next term for about 40,000 children aged 9 and 13.

The assessment performance unit of the Department of Education and Science will begin next year to give pupils aged 11 and 15 rational testing in mathematics and English language. One of the purposes of the testing, in a random sample of scheols, is to provide a model standardized test and

Derelict land will be turned into sports area

From John Chartres Oswaldtwistle

Oswaldrwistle

Work is to begin next week on a project to turn Foxhill Bank, Oswaldrwistle, into an open space on which residents of this proud, but in the past neglected, Lancashire town will be able to small, play golf, cricket and football and perhaps eventually catch fish out of the Tinker's and White Ash brooks.

The restoration scheme

The restoration scheme amounced by Lancashire County Council yesterday may not seem of great significance in the national scheme of thi/15, but as Mr Jeffrey Rowbotham, the county planning officer, purit, it is typical of the sort of derelication Britain is trying to combat and hopes to overcome. combat and hopes to overcome

Foxhill Bank consists of 50 acres of humanocky grassland, some trees, and two streams. It is surrounded on all sides by a mixture of the recently restored stone cottages and houses in which the old east Lancashire cotton towns ebound (and which now look highly attractive since the soot was scraned off them) and modern housing. off them) and modern housing.

Although superficially pleasing to the eye, Foxhill Bank contains 70,000 tons of rubbish ranging from old perambulators to derelict buildings, all of which is to be scraped up or buried. The laying our of foorbell picches, a cricket square and a pirch-add-putt golf course will follow.

Under the 100 per cent grant which are still trying to clean up the mess left by the industrial revolution, which both created their human communities and left them looking hideous, the Department of the Environment will pay the £125,000 bill for the basic land restoration,

Hyndburg Borough Council, which administers half a dozen small towns grouped around Accrington, will provide the money for the building of the sports and other facilities after-

When a survey was conduc-ted in 1974 the "new" country of Lancashire was found to con-tain 4,500 acres of derelict and; another 8,000 acres of it in the "old" county had been bequeathed to Greater Manchester County Council, which was set up under local government reorganization in the same year. The two counties operate a joint team of reclamation are set of the counties tion experts handling any sort of matter varying from colliery spoil beaps to disused railway sidings.

Bomb in boat | High Street 'is train fails to explode

Six hundred bolidaymakers scaped yesterday when a bomb made from a gas cylinder and gunpowder with an electronic timing device, planted in a boat train from Victoria to Dover, failed to go off. The timing mechanism stuck, and the passengers boarded their ferry not knowing about it. not knowing about it.

Cleavers found the bomb early yesterday and Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist squad was called in. IRA links with the bomb have been ruled out because it was so badly mode. It was in the corridor connecting two carriages in the 10.10 pm train, which left Victoria almost full.

It was found when the train was shunted to a siding for cleaning. Police said it would have been very dangerous if it had exploded. It could have caused the two carriages to part

British Rail has issued instruction to employees not to talk about the incident.

Health areas to be reunited

Liverpool's health service management is to be reorgan-ized and streamlined, the area health authority operating as a single district instead of two

After approaches from the local health authority, Mr had a pertition signed by nearly a third of the Island's 60,000 Social Services, has agreed that the division in 1974 was artificial.

more dangerous than motorway '

Driving on a motorway is 10 nimes safer than driving down a High Street, the British Road Federation's annual review reports today.

It shows that the greatest increase in safety over the years has been on motorways where the chance of having an accident has been halved during the past 10 years, despite a 45 per cent rise in road traffic, Motorways take almost 10 per cent of all traffic.

Last year the volume of traffic exceeded the 1973 level for the first time and the number of cars was more than 14 million.

Busic Road Statistics 1977 (British Road Federation, 25 Marchester Square, London, W1M 5RF, E2).

decided yesterday against reducing the birching powers of Manx courts and rejected a provision in a Bill that proposed that only people under 21 should be birched for robbery with violence

The Legislative Council the

Upper House, rejected the

proposal by seven votes to one, and decided that there should

be no age restriction under an

amendment tabled by Mr Howard Simcocks (Ind).

Mr Simcocks, a lawyer, who

Manx MPs vote against

restrictions on birching

Rodgers change of mind over long-term plans By Our Transport

Correspondent

It was wrong to try to formulate a transport policy to the end of the century, Mr Rodgers, Secretary of State for Trans-port, said in London yesterday. That is what he set out to do on taking over transport a year ago, but he had changed his mind, he told the annual luncheon of the Chartered Institute of Transport

The pace of change was such that any policy that set out a rigid framework over so long a period was a bad one, he now concluded. We were suffering from lengthening institutional processes when economic, social and rechnological changes were

Specialist help 'often lacking' for children with speech disorders By John Roper Health Services Correspondent

MPs in the Isle of Man well come here." Sir John There are at least 10,000 children with speech disorders making it difficult or impos-Rolton (Ind) seconding, said:
"A similar perition in Britain
would get 19 million signatures
and probably a lot more." sible for them to communicate and for whom specialist help is often lacking, according to or shy and needed to mix more a survey by the Association for and in one case that the failure All Speech-Impaired Children (Afasic) published yesterday. Several resented the doctor's The move was also strongly supported by the Bishop of Sodor and Man, the Right Rev Vernon Nicholls, who is a mem-ber of the council: "We have Professor Oliver Zangwill. Professor of Experimental Psychology at Cambridge a quality of life here that is the envy of millions outside. University and president of the The Bill is part of a Manx association, said that although the survey was small it was believed to be the first piece legislative programme aimed at reducing birching but retaining

why their child could not stand speak, although early diagnosis was vited if the child's life was not to be wrecked.

university's student population

Parents were told that their children were normal but slow developers, that they were luzy implication that they were fussy, over-protective or put-ting pressure on the child. A turbed" was too readily produced.

In her experience most of the children had no behavioural difficulties. They were intelligent, lively and outgoing but were at times terribly frustrated by their inability to communicate. With proper treatment, improvement are in improvement are intelligent. ment, improvement could be

spectacular. There was a great shortage of speech therapists and an added difficulty was that they came under the Department of Health the survey was small it was believed to be the first piece of factual research on the matter.

The report says most parents found that they had to insist on seeing one specialist after another in order to discover but the survey was small it was duced.

But nearly a lifth of the but were needed in the schools. Teachers in ordinary schools were willing to help but were ignorant about complex language disorders. There were another in order to discover said the child might not under-

and has planned a postgraduate diploma course for speech therapists and teachers begin-ing next October. It would also like to establish a college of further education for language handicapped

youth.

Youth Survey (Room 14, Toyabee Hall, 28 Commercial Street, London, El 6LS, 25p)

Hospital care: The Government

stand what was said, under for the educationally subnormal smooth out a wide variation in stand but speak only in a or a unit for autistic children; the quality of care given to "jumble of words", or under where he did not properly mentally bandicapped children in hospitals (the Press Associa-

organizes special hossesys activity weeks. It wants more told a conference of prores-research on remedial treatment sional and voluntary health and has planned a postgraduate workers in London yesterday. He added: "The quality of

care is often far from what it should be. There is an enormous variation from one hospital to another. Some hospitals have transformed themselves over the years in providing a high standard of care. The achieve-ments have been impressive in Hospital care: The Government some cases, and less so in is to press health authorities to others."

Compromise in newspaper dismissal case proposed

Mr C. Gordon Tether, the be suggested that at the time former inancial Times column of his dismissal Mr Tether was ist, and the board of the not fully capable of writing newspaper agreed yesterday to articles to the paper's high consider a compromise in an industrial tribunal case in London in which Mr Tether alleges unfair dismissal.

Both sides retired to con-

sider the suggestion by the tribunol's chairman, Mr William Wells, QC. Mr Tether, who was dismissed 13 months ago, seeks reinstatement.
Mr Wells said he felt that nothing out loss would be caused if the matter went on. Two questions had to be de-cided: was Mr Tether's dis-missal fair or not, and if not, what was the remedy?

He said the difficulties in

ordering reinstatement seemed formidable on the evidence so He suggested that both sides

standards.
In addition, the paper had offered compensation terms that still stood. Many other employers would have been less

liberal. Mr Wells said he hoped they could agree a statement that the Financial Times would publish fully, vindicating Mr Tether's rightful anxiety to protect his reputation and at the same time not affecting the main contention of the paper. Mr Wells asked Mr Tether if he would prefer his association with the paper to be remembered for a lifetime of meritorious, successful and dis-tinguished service or for the unhappy circumstances in which that relationship ended. The hearing continues today.

Deportation note to be served on freed spy

it for crimes of violence only.

Manx MPs hope that it will
be accepted by the European

Court of Human Rights when hirching is discussed at Strasbourg on Jenuary 17.

From Our Correspondent

Britain. Twenty-four hours after he had been freed from the top-security Wakefield jail on parole, it was disclosed yesterday that the Government has in and outside the profession at officially warned him of its inthe low standards of many tention to serve a deportation applicants to engineering order.

It is believed that the notice of intention was delivered while he was serving six years of a 12-year sentence on Official Secrets Act charges. Mr Prager has a right to appeal against the notice of intention within 14 days.

His wife, Jana, has told friends in Britain that the Czechoslovak authorities are un-likely to welcome lum. Last night Mr Jack Levi, a Leeds solicitor acting for Mr Prager, said: "It is his desire to join where she has a home. He does not intend to appeal against the notice of intended deportation." After his release on Monday Mr Proger went to a relative's house in Chapeltown, Leeds, A relative at the house said ves-

terday that Mr Prager and his

wife were out in the country for the day. Culdrose to be rescue school The Royal Naval Air Station

at Culdrose, Cornwall, the largest helicopter base in western Europe, is to become the training headquarters for RAF rescue flyers.

The RAF is replacing many Whirlwind helicopters with the search and rescue Sea Kings favoured by the Navy. Air crew and maintenance staff will be trained at Culdrose for detics at Lossiemouth, Boulmer, Coitshail and Brawdy.

Tougher training sought for engineers status of a professional char-

By Diana Goddes Education Correspondent
A new tough requirement of

a minimum of seven years academic and industrial train-Bradford.

Nicholos Prager, aged 49, the chartered engineer is to be former RAF sergeant jailed for recommended by a committee passing Britain's V-bomber of inquiry into the relationship secrets, who is a Czechoslovak of education to industry. The is being asked officially to leave | committee was set up by the Britain. Twenty-four hours | Conservative Party and includes the presidence of all three presidence of all three presidence of all three presidence. the presidents of all three pro-ressional engineering bodies. Concern has been expressed

The committee hopes that its proposals will help to bring the profession more into line with its much more highly paid and better respected counterparts

in Europe.

It will recommend that anyone wishing to achieve the

a three-year degree course, fol-lowed by two years' industrial practice and then a further two years' supervised professional practice before qualifying. Engineers who fail to reach or who never attempt to reach those required standards would be known simply as "techni-cians", creating in effect a twotier profession. The committee will recommend that no public installation

should be designed or validated except by a chartered engineer. It is also looking at ways to increase part-time release and sandwich courses for engineers, and is considering recommending tax exemptions for com-panies that make facilities available for releasing employees for additional training or that provide places for students on sandwich courses.

The committee, which is chaired by Professor John Thornton, head of the department of chemical engineering at Newcastle University, includes Dr George Erosan, Director of the North East London Polytechnic and President of the Institution of Production Engineers; Professor Sir Hugh Ford, head of the department of mechanical engineering at Imperial College, Longer tered engineer should complete eering at Imperial College, Lon-don and President of the Institurion of Mechanical Engineers; Mr E. Booth, chairman of the Yorkshire Electricity Board and President of the Institution of Electrical Engineers; Professor Boris Norman Cole of Leeds Boris Norman Cole of Leeds
University, governor of the
Engineering Industries Training
Board: and Dr John Horlock,
Vice-Chancellor of Salford
University: as well as other
eminent academics, representatives of industry, the trade

Damages of £13,909 for 'second fiddle' pop group

Mr Justice O'Conror was rold they were contracted to make two albums for £20,000. The group made one album, "Grand Slam", but did not receive a halfpenny, Mr Roger Ellis, their counsel, said. The judge held that the group, Miss O'Dell, Ray Russell, Clyde McMullen, Simon Phillips

The five members of the dis- and Dennys McCaffrey, were

The five members of the disbanded pop group Chopyn were awarded a total of £13,909 against a music company in the High Court yesterday. They thought they were being groomed for stardom but ended up playing "second fiddle" to another band, the court was told.

Ann O'Deli, aged 29, the lead singer, and the four musicians in the group sued Dartbill Lind, of Mayfair, London, for £30,909.

Mr Justice O'Couror was told they were contracted to make the contract. They were broke the contract. They were also entitled to a further £10,000 for making the "Grand Slam" album, but certain expenses incurred by Dartoill had to be set off against that He agreed to a 21-day stay on payment of the damages pend-ing consideration of an appeal

Crossman diaries disdain quality of the 1968 Cabinet

Most members of the Labour Cabinet of 1968, and not a few members of the present one, were uninspiring dullards in the eyes of the late Richard Crossman, who dissects their failings in the third and final rolume of his opinionated but revealing disries, published this week.

Mr Crossman, who sat in the Mr Crossman, who sat in the Cabinet as Secretary of State for Social Services from 1968 to 1970, is unstituting in his admiration of Mrs Barbara Castle, ambivalent in his attitude towards Sir Harold Wilson, and schoolanasterly in his attactment of the Clever Mrs. assessment of the clever Mr Callaghan, but disdainful in his intellectually lofty outlook upon almost everyone else. upon almost everyone else.

He sees the true character of Mr Roy Jenkins when, preparingto swim in Mr Crossman's private pool, the Chancellor removes his clothes:
Directly they (Mr Jenkons's family) got into the walled garden, they took thims over and organized compendons among themselves on speed records and underwater swimming. I realized that Roy is one of the most compensive men

in the world, setting himself trials and trying to win everything. In this sense he is a caricature of a public school boy, and he loses his attraction unless he is tully clothed.

One feels that his career has been made by knowing the right people. Mr Jenkins at least agreed to serve in a Cabinet headed by Mr Crossman, in the unlikely event of Sir Harold Wilson being deposed.

event of Sir Haroid wilson being deposed.

Mr Wedgwood Benn is another prime target. "The real-trouble about Wedgy is that philosophically he is, not second-rate, but non-existent. Curiously, he has got this great public relations sense but he is no serious thinker." Later, the distinct dismisses him as an diarist dismisses him as an intellectually negligible whizz-kid." Mr Peter Shore is demolished

astrophic failures in the House of Commons and no good at the Dispatch Box." He causes Mr Crossman to reflect:
Someontimes Harold has an unerring ability to do what jars. It is in these minor appointments that he shows his amazing taste."

Vision manage, with the Crossman's Some of Mr Crossman's assessments seem curious after a gap of eight years, but at least the had the wit to feel some suspicion about the young, thrusting Postmaster General, Mr John Stonehouse. In Jan-

Secretary, is frequently remarked upon for the all-peryading boredom of his demeanour. and boredom of his demeanour.
At one stage, in the context of
the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia and a possible trade
embargo, which never materialized. Mr Cr ssman remarks:
"It seems to me an extremely "It seems to me an extremely interesting example of the total ineffectiveness of Michael Stewart as Foreign Secretary and of the extent to which Harold Wilson's so-called foreign policy is based on his image of trimself as a maker of world policy."

Mr. Res. Reservice is described.

Mr Reg Prentice is described in September, 1968, as "a rather prim young man". For-rier President Nixon, on a visit to 10 Downing Street, is generally lauded for being fresher as "one of the most cat-astrophic failures in the House vision image, and for his prag-

Mr Michael Stewart, Foreign. bound to remark:

He is a strange fellow, a tall,
dark, rather sleek young man,
with a great long back. . I have
always had the profoundest suspicion of his more reliability
He is an experienced, tough
politician, very unreliable in his
personal veracity.

Not even the editor of The
Times—escapes—a sidebong Times escapes a sidelong

glance:
I had my first real talk with
William Rees-Mogg, and found
this gorgle-eyed intellectual rather,
sardonic and amusing. He is
essentially, more of a political
amateur than people take him for,
thore slapdash if you like, sood
that is the quality his whole newspaper has. The sardonic and amusing Mr Crossman, a political professional, nevertheless once enjoyed a free lunch in this newspaper's board room, and claims to have enjoyed the

Company.

The Diwies of a Cabinet Minister,
Vol 3, 1968-1970, by Richard Crossman (Hamish Hamilton/Jorainan
Cape, £12.50). A full review of the Crossman diaries will appear in The Tracs on November 10.

company.

MP demands an end to Nato

air exercise Mr Dafydd Thomas, Plaid Cymru MP for Merioneth, and local farmers yesterday demanded an end to a Nato exercise in which two American airmen were killed when their F111 jet crashed on a farm near the village of Foel, near Welshood, Powys. Wreckage was scattered over half a mile and the farmhouse roof was

damaged. Mr Thomas said: "I am fed up with being told that low flying is necessary for defence. It is time the strategic reasons were spelt out."

Mr Maldwyn Humphreys, secretary of the Montgomery branch of the Farmers' Union of Wales, said: "We have protested against low flying in this area for years and this crash has highlighted our protests."

A defence ministry official in London said he could not comment on Mr Thomas's protest. The exercise would continue for the rest of the week



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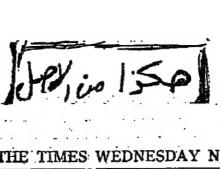
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Ex-Service Men's Association GIVE TO TROSE WHO GAVE — PLEASE





New entries to the Women's Royal Naval Service during the First World War, from "The WRNS 1917-1977" exhibition opening tomorrow at the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich.

Solicitors defended over long trials

Lord Widgery, the Lord Chief Justice, was criticized yesterday for stating, as reported in The Times yesterlay that trials were getting unhealthily longer", and the

taxpayer, through legal aid, was footing the bill.

Mr Jeffrey Gordon, information officer of the British Legal Association, said: "Lawyers today are in the absurd position and the control of the British Legal Association, said: "Lawyers today are in the absurd position and the control of t tion that one week we are attacked because trials are too long, and the next hold that by encouraging defendants to plead guilty we are cutting fair trials too short.

"To suggest that solicitors have any vested interest in long trials must be nonsense when it is realized that our fees for attending a trial, at the rate of £12 to £15 a day are obviously not enough to pay a living wage

'Solicitors' attending long trials must make a loss with fees that level. When Lord Widgery advocates more stringent financial control of criminal trials he apparently has not taken into account how savage the Old Bailey (Central Criminal Court) can be and is in cutting down solicitors' bills for preparatory work."

Proceeding splicitors were

Practising solicitors were getting-tired of "the cumula-tive effect of conflicting and often ill informed criticisms of

our profession."

Call by solicitor: The public should be protected from "slapdash" solicitors, Mr Geoffrey Hough, a London solicitor, snys. "There is a need to ensure that solicitors' work is does not a postal vote in about three solicitors' work is done pro-perly, and conscientiously with a liew to serving the client rather than, as appearances would sometimes suggest, with a view to their own benefit", he says in evidence submitted to the Royal Commission on Legal Services.

Mr Hough points out that a client can do little about ineffi-ciency by a solicitor.

Book charges remand

John Henson, aged 36, a Canadian chef of no fixed address, facing six charges of stealing five antique books and a painting, valued together at 22,180, from London brenches of Sorheby's and Christie's, the auctioneers, was remanded in custody until November 8 at Marlborough Street Magistrates'

Social Services Correspondent

Great progress has been made in improving the quality of life for people in their sixtics,

seventies and early eighties, Professor Margor Jeffreys, Pro-fessor of Sociology at Bedford College University, London, said at Hurtogate yesterday. She

From Par Healy

Closures of meat and bacon factories feared

A promise by Mr Silkin,
Minister of Agriculture,
Fisheries, and Food, yesterday
to press energetically for
changes in the way EEC monetary compensatory amounts are changes in the way the mone-tary compensatory amounts are calculated gave no apparent comfort to representatives of the British bacon and meat

After the speech their chairman, Mr H. M. Newton-Clare, was still predicting, in press interviews, inevitable factory closures "on a fairly lorge scale and fairly rapidly" if the present situation continues.

The monetary compensatory amount (MCA) is the difference between the market rate and the agricultural "green" cur-rency of the EEC. It provides a form of assistance to producers and consumers.

Mr Silkin acknowledged the difficulties facing the meat lodustry, particularly unfair competitive conditions in the bacon and ham market and the availability of adequate supplies of manufacturing heet. of manufacturing beet.

The world situation for pig producers was improving, he said. Pig prices were rising and

Postal vote on

right to speak

weeks.

The decision to call a postal

odstering. It would be until to give them speaking rights when some teaching staff were not allowed to attend meetings.

But Mr J. C. B. Gosting, a

senior proctor, said students were very much affected by Congregation decisions, yet they had little control over them.

again showed how old assump-tions about the asexuality of

the elderly were breaking down.

There was now segregation by sex of old people, partly because the greater frankness

with which younger people dis-cussed sexuality had changed

There was no evidence that

younger relatives were showing

act as a spur for more improve-

the climate of opinion.

Need to improve quality of

said at Hurtogate yesterday. She less interest in providing care told the 300 delegates to the Age Concern conference that the main challenge now would involve concerted efforts by scientists, practitioners, relatives and the elderly to achieve or were in residential homes

the same results for people that dehumanized them and the surviving into their late eightics stuff. The progress so far should

The growing number of ments, too, in the quality of life elderly people who married for all elderly people.

life for people over 80

students'

feed costs falling. Rowever, pig supplies would be lower next

The temporary pig subsidy early this year had given producers £17m when pressure on them was greatest, but subsidies could be only a temporary

"The problem must be ackled at its roots by putting the monetary compensatory amount calculation on to a fair basis", he said. "I shall continue to press energetically for the changes needed."

Mr Silkin knew, said he, that many of his audience would like the Government to devalue the green pound, and alkhough that would benefit processers the advantage to the producer was less certain because devaluation. less certain because devaluation would affect cereal prices also. The Government must con-

sider the wider interest and would devalue the green pound only when they thought it necessary and right in the overall national interest.

If Monday's movement in sterling was maintained it would in due course reduce the United Kingdom MCA by three to four percentage points.

Ban and £700 fines on corporal From Our Correspondent

Corporal John Oliver, aged 25, of Catterick Garrison, North Yorkshire, pleaded guilty at Richmond Magistrates' Court, North Yorkshire, yesterday, to assault; taking a Chieftain tank without the owner's consent: without the owner's consent; driving it dangerously; damag-ing a hangar door, road signs valued at £180; damaging army fencing; driving without a licence or insurance; and driving with a blood alcohol level more than three times above

the permitted limit.

He was disqualified from driving for three years, fined a total of £700 and ordered to pay for the damage to the road signs and a doctor's fee. He was ordered to pay the £889.80 at the rate of £10 a week. Sergeant Albert Harrley, for the prosecution, said the Chief-

tain tank was pursued by several members of the military and civilian police at first in vahicles and then, for their own afety, on foot. It is a wonder there was not

serious injury or even loss of life", Colonel Jonathon Forbes. formerly of The Green Howards, the chairman, said.

Immigrants' council says appeal barred its adviser

day. The council alleges that the incident was connected with criticism of adjudicators, which it published on Saturday.

The decision to call a postal vote was announced at the beginning of yesterday's debate by Sir Rex Richards, FRS, the vice-chancellor.

Mr J. B. Bamborough, Principal of Linacre College, proposed a resolution giving speaking rights to any junior member for an experimental period of two years. It was carried by 15 votes to 13.

Opposing it. Mr C. Smith. In its annual report the coun-cil said that in 1976 and this year it had drawn attention to politically and racially prejudiced remarks by adjudicators. The report included examples and said there had been pressure by some Labour MPs for certain adjudicetors to be discipled. Opposing it, Mr C. Smith, fellow of Keble College, said students could misuse the right for demonstrations and filibustering. It would be unfair

Mr Ian Martin, general secretary of the council, said yester-day that under the rules goveraing appeals a member of the council had been allowed to appear for the appellant. That had been done in hundreds of cases since the system was established in 1970.

"Strictly speaking, the adjudicator must give leave for a

Mr Robert Wagner, the American actor, and his wife, Miss Natalie Wood, the actress, accepted undisclosed damages in the High Court yesterday

over a newspaper report which suggested that their remarriage

had broken down and they were getting divorced again.

Their actions were against Continental Publishers & Dis-

tributors Ltd, and New English Library Ltd. English distributor

of the French newspaper, France Dimanche.

A report on Saturday stated that the Stubbs paintings, "The Haymakers" and "The Reapers", had been sold abroad and were subject to a temporary export restriction. They were in fact offered to the Tate Gallery in the first place.

Correction

film couple

Damages for US | Former drug

addict to

get his son back

A London couple who devoted themselves for two years as foster-parents to a baby boy suffering from withdrawal symptoms after his birth to drug-addicted parents have lost their plea in the Court of Appeal to get the child back from his parent feeber.

from his natural father.

They had hoped to adopt the boy, now a ward of court and still under three years old, Lord Justice Ormrod said. Contrary

to everyone's expectations, the father had recovered from his

drug addiction and wanted to bring up his son

The court upheld a decision of Sir George Baker, President of the Family Division, that the boy should stay with his father, with whom he has lived since last by

The Joint Council for the appear, as we are not officietly welfare of Immigrants has complained to the Immigration Appeals Secretariat about the rejection of one of its staff by an appeals adjudicator on Monday. The council alleges that Mr Sarwat Iqbal, a council employee who was due to appear at an appeal on Monday,

Senor Lister, secretary gen-eral of the Spanish Workers' appear at an appeal of Monday, was told by one of the adjudi-cators, that he must apply for leave to represent the appel-lant. Mr Iqbal said yesterday: "I told him that I had appeared Communist Party, was granted a passport in Paris yesterday. He formed his party seven years ago after being expelled from the Spanish Communist in hundreds of cases, many of them before him and I had never been asked to apply for leave to appear before. The adjudicator added that if I did apply for leave he would not sent it. It was impossible for Señor Lister's party was recognized by Moscow as "the true Spanish Communist Party", in an attempt to split the party headed by Señor Santiago Carrillo, who was apply for leave he would not grant it. It was impossible for me to proceed with the case." Mr Martin commented: "It seems very curious that suddenly, just after our annual report was published criticizing the appeals system, one of our employees was treated in this way." He said he had written to Mr J. D. Peterkin, the chief adjudicator.

Paris police ban demonstrations by terrorist sympathizers at lawyer's extradition hearing However, under the treaty extradition will not be agreed if a political offence is involved and the defence will argue that From Our Own Correspondent

WEST EUROPE

Demonstrations in support of the Baader-Meinhof defence lawyer Herr Klaus Croissant have been forbidden by police when his extradition hearing opens here tomorrow. Several extreme left-wing organizations have announced their intention of demonstrating then, as they did at the first extradition hearing a week ago.

Herr Croissant is wanted in West Cermany for alleged complicity with criminal groups and propaganda in favour of those groups, whose avowed aim is the perpetration of crimes". He was arrested in France on September 30, after crossing the border at Stras-bourg on July 11. He has been in cuesady since his arrest.

The hearing is likely to be a long one, with defeace lawyers from West Germany, Belgium, Italy, Britain and Spain all wanting to take part. According to the extradition reary between France and West Germany the authors of crimes and breaches of common law carrying a penalty of more than two years' imprisonment, or prisoners convicted and serving

a sentence of more than two months' imprisonment should

The authorities today substi-tuted an "act of homage" to Prince Felipe, the nine-year-old heir to the throne, in place

of a planned investiture cere-mony for him as Prince of Asturies, the traditional title of the heir to the throne.

The title was conferred on him in a royal decree signed by his father, King Juan Carlos, in January. The Palace had realized that the investiture might cause ill feeling, however, and the correspondence.

ever, and the ceremony was changed to an act of bounge. Socialist and communist politicians in Asturies wito were

invited to the homage decided to boycott the ceremony. They say the investiture should be made after the new constitution

made after the new consumutous is drawn up, when the exact form of the Spanish state is described. It should wait until the constituion is approved, although it has already been agreed generally that the state will be described as a mon-

returns to Spain

next week after 38 years in

exile, according to reports pub-lished here today.

Rival of Señor Carrillo

this applies in this case. Their task will not have been helped by the discovery in France of the body of Dr Hanns-Martin Schleyer, the West German industrialist kidnapped by mem-bers of the Baader-Meinhof

gang.
Our Foreign Staff write: The
bunt for the killers of Dr
Schleyer has spread to Denmark where police said they wark where police said they were seeking two suspects.

They included the man believed to have bought the car in which Dr Schleyer's body was found and a woman. The hunt was concentrated on Zealand, Denmark's main island, on which Copenhagen stands.

Police named the two as Police named the two as Fracilein Friedericke Krabbe and Herr Christian Kiar, already identified by West German officials as the man who bought the green Audi car in which Dr Schleyer's body was found on October 19 in Mulhouse, eastern France. The two were believed to be travelling in a red, Swedish-registered Volkswagen Passat.

Spanish King cancels

son's investiture

Volkswagen Passat.

The pair were both on a list of 16 people West German police are seeking in connexion with the Schleyer kidnapping,

advisory body still in existence, attended a religious ceremony this morning in Covadougs, the village in Asturias where the Spaniards claimed their first victory in their campaign to expel their Mourish conquerors. The whole Goyernment had been due to attend but, when the ceremony was changed, it was thought appropriate to send only one representative.

The provincial delegation of

Asturias, whose idea it was to

hold the investiture ceremony,

is not considered representative

by politicians in the region,

traditionally a left-wing strong-

cluded that Senor Laster was a

Señor Lister still regards Señor Carrillo as a "traitor". Señor Carrillo travels to Mos-

cow tomorrow, reportedly for the first time in seven years,

to arrend the sixtieth anni-versary of the October Revolu-tion. Señor Lister will not be

Señora Dolores Ibarruri,
"La Pasionaria", the Spanish
Communist Party's pfesident,
left yesterday for Moscow,
where she spent 38 years in
exile.

spent force.

ders and other guerrilla raids.
In Milan, a Mercedes showroom was attacked with a fire bomb. Attacks on German property have occurred in Iraly almost daily since the death of three Badder-Meinhof guerrillas in a West German prison last month.

In Algiers, the Canary Islands' separatist movement aunounced that it would henceforth attack West German as well as Spanish interests in the islands.

The leader of the group, Señor Antonio Cubillo, said the

first anti-West German act was first anti-West German act was the bombing of a BMW show-room, at Santa Cruz, Tenerife, which caused substantial property damage. A second bomb was planted at a Tenerife restaurant owned by a West German, but was discovered and defused. defused.

In West Berlin an estimated 4,000 demonstrators protested last night at the arrest of three printers of a small left-wing news sheet.

The arrests followed a police

The arrests followed a police raid on flats, bookstores and printing shops looking for evidence lanking the news sheet to the West German terrorist movement. The police contend that the publication has been used as a means of communication by terrorists.

addicts, **UN** report

As a result, the Palace was advised, apparently within the past 48 hours, that it would be better to postpone the investisays King Juan Carlos, accompa-nied by Queen Sofia, Senor Rodolfo Martin Villa, the Minister of the Interior, and members of the Council of the Realm, the country's highest advisory body still in existence,

The Geneva-based United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control (UNFDAC) reported a sharp increase in drug addiction and deaths in Western countries and blamed Burma, Laos and Thailand for producing most of the raw opium for the lilicit trade in narcotics. In the United States, it said, an estimated 620,000 people are

lands, half of them in Amster-

From William Chislett then espousing Eurocommunism and had condemned the Soviet invasion of Czechosthe last surviving civil war leaders, will return to Spain next week after 38 years in 1974, having connections of the soviet invasion of Czechosthe last surviving civil war leaders, will return to Spain party in 1974, having connections of the soviet invasion of Czechosthe last surviving civil war leaders, will return to Spain party in 1974, having connections of the soviet invasion of Czechosthe last surviving civil war leaders. Most of the raw opium produced in the world comes from the "golden triangle" of Burma, Laos and Thatland. UNFDAC said that Burma is responsible for 500 tons of the 600 to 700 tons produced annually in the region. Burma's output is sufficient to make 50 tons of heroin which at \$4.50

claims for a 40 per cent wage

More drug

Geneva, Nov 1.—More than 1,000 bables are born as beroin addicts every year in New York because their mothers are using the drug, according to a United Nations report published today.

an estimated 620,000 people are addicted to opium and its derivatives. There were 100,000 addicts in France last year, which is five times the number in 1970 West Germany had 40,000 addicts last year, 5,000 of them in West Berlin, and there were 15,000 in the Netherlands half of them in Americands.

There were 2,000 heroin deaths in the United States last year, 325 in West Germany and 59 in France. The number of deaths in West Germany is expected to rise above 500 this year. There have already been 50 heroin deaths in West Eer-

(£2.90) a milligram in Washingron streets represents \$225,000m (£129,000m).—UPI.

Holiday isle strike

Las Palmas, Canary Islands, Nov 1.—Hotel amployees on the island of Gran Canaria have decided to strike in support of

French warning to Algeria over hostages From lan Murray

Paris, Nov 1

France is mounting a three-proaged diplomatic campaign in efforts to free the eight hostages believed to be held by the Polisario guerrillas in the Western Sahara. At the same Western Sahara. At the same time special troops are being kept on permanent alert for a military intervention and Mirage IV spy aircraft have been overflying the desert on the Mauritanian-Algerian border to seek out the Polisario columns. The Polisaria guerrilas hariand by Algeria are seeklas, backed by Algeria, are seek-ing independence for the Western Sahara, currently ruled by Morocco and Mauri-

The diplomatic activity is going on in Geneva Tripoli and Algeria. It is aimed at enlisting the help of the International Red Cross and the Lrbyan Gov-erment and at forcing the Algerian Government to realize

killed in

bead of mission in Geneva, M Stéphane Hessel, has been to see the head of the Inter-national Committee of the Red Cross, Mr Alexander Hay, with a view to sending a representative of the international Red Cross to Algiers. The Saharan Red Cross has already let it be the hostages.

The French Foreign Ministry
Director of African Affairs, M
Guy Georgy, has been sent to

Tripoli, in an attempt to find was largely supplying the eco-out how much the Libyans can nomic, educational and health

that it must cooperate in finding and freeing the French d'Estaing to President Giscard d'Estaing to President Boumehostages.

The French United Nations bead of mission in Geneva, M. Stabour Heron in Co.

The message pointed out that the hostages were civilians, working to help a developing country, that they had been made prisoners in Mauritania and not in a contested area. It said that there was no doubt that the Polisario guerrillas were financed armed and conknown that it cannot help in were financed, armed and con-negotiations for the release of trolled by Algeria and that it was up to Algeria to put an end to the affair.
There was an inherent warning in the reminder that France

out how much the Libyans can nomic, educational and health resources for Algeria, while 800,000 Algerians worked in main effort is having to be made. The Foreign Ministry here has sent its administrative and humanitarian methods failed, President Gisand consular affairs chief, M card d'Estaing said, France was Claude Chayet, to Algiers to determined "to use other underline the message already means".

Napoleonic entrance for Quebec **Premier** From lan Murray Paris, Nov 1

For the first time in 150 years the main entrance to the Palais Bourbon, which houses the National Assembly, is to be used tomorrow by Mr Rene Lévesque, Prime Minister of Quebec. This symbolic honour sums up the unusual degree of pomp and ceremony being accorded in France to this first visit of the man who hopes to lead Quebec out of the Canadian confederation.

Mr Lèvesque has been in France privately for a week now. In 1944 he served in Lorraine as a war correspondent and liaison officer with the American forces under General Patton. So he has been making a sentimental journey to the area round Metz.

This morning, accompanied by M Alain Peyrelitte, Minister of Justice, he went to Colomby-les-deux-eglises to see the tomb years ago stirred a cauldron of Canadian conotions by declar-ing: "Vive le Quebec libre".

At the grave he signed the golden book of remembrance and wrote: "Ten years later, accompanied, I am sure, by the vast majority of the Quebecois, I offer homage to a great Frenchman and a great friend of Quebec".

He told journalists that he

He told journalists that he had come to pay homage to the "historic vision" and the "sympathy" that de Gaulle had shown towards Quebec. He said he was in favour of the idea of creating "a French Commonwealth" on the condition that Quebec was there with its own identity and not "under Canadian façade".

Mr Lévesque arrives at Orly

tomorrow morning to be greated by M Barre, the Prime Minis-ter. After their first discussions together the two prime ministers will go to the National Assembly for lunch with M Edgar Faure, president of the assembly.
After lunch Mr Levesque will

tour a special exhibition de-voted to Quebec in the assembly library before making what amounts to a state entrance to the assembly itself. The 30 stairs leading up the peristyle of the Palais Bourbon's facade overlooking the Pont de la Con-corde were reserved by Napoleon for his personal use. They lead through the 12 columns of the facade into the assembly. Mr Levosque will attend a

Mr Lévesque will attend a further reception by M Faure and a dinner given by M Pevrefitte before the following da's reception it the Hôtel de Ville by M Jacques Chirac, the mayor of Paris, who has sent out a thousand invitations.

For lunch he goes to the Elysée Palace, where President Giscard d'Estaing has invited every single member of the Government. After this lunch Mr Lévesque will have further talks with M Barre.

Mr Lévesque'; only travelling companion is Mr Claude Morin, the Quebec Minister of Inter-

the Quebec Minister of Inter-governmental Affairs. The talks be will be having with the senior French Ministers will will want to see between France and an independent Quebec. The unusual pomp surrounding his visit is a clear indication that France is earer to welcome a new French-speaking independent nation.
It is true that Quebec prime

ministers have always been well received in France. As recently as 1974 Mr Robert Bourassa was as 1974 Mr Robert Bourassa was allowed to be present at a French Cabinet meeting.

Nevertheless, as the reopening of "the entrance of Napoleon" at the Palais, Bourbon shows, France is going out of its way to do honour to the man who may democratically

who may, democratically, avenge the defeat on the Plains of Abraham 21d years ago.

Mr Blumenthal talks with Berlin leaders From Our Correspondent Berlin, Nov 1

Mr Michael Blumenthal, the Mr Michael Blumenthal, the United States Secretary of the Treasury, met Herr Dietrich Stobbe, the Berlin Chief Eurgomaster, and Herr Wolfgang Lüder, the Senator in charge of economics, today to discuss possibilities of further American investments in Berlin. can investments in Berlin. He assured both officials of He assured both officials of United States support for the city's economy by encouraging private investments.

Mr Blumenthal was born in Berlin in 1926 and left the city in 1933 with his family to flee

Nazi persecution.

He leaves for Bong to-

'New system needed' to scrutinize radiation hazards

From Pearce Wright Science Editor Whitehaven

and beyond.

of radiation as a direct conse- nuclear power industry, when quence of nuclear power was the uses of radiation were con-suggested to the Windscale fined to medicine and defence.

of Keswick, who is appearing as rection Commission (IRPC), keep its recommodified a new plant for reprocess-drawn mainly from radiologists. logical knowledge. ing waste nuclear fuel on the

vesterday, pointed to deficien-cies in the processes by which safety standards are set, and suggested national and interna. Yet those safety standards tional action needed to cure originated in 1958 and were no

A reorganization of the system examining safety standards had establishing permissible levels evolved before the onset of the

Cumbrian coast.

His evidence, completed in a final submission to the inquiry must never be questioned, and

public inquiry yesterday.

It came from Dr John K.

Spearing, an eminent biologist,

K. Spearing, an eminent biologist,

That background was reflected in the composition of the composi

Dr Spearing said its recommoreover, never are questioned" by government depart.

Me suggested that its functions ments and bodies.

That was clearly unsatisfactory, the suggested that its functions could be taken over by an inde-

longer suitable. That had been

In Dr Spearing's view, part of the difficulty was historical, the United States and Germany because the procedures for concerned with public safety, system for scrutinizing radiation Dr Spearing said.

Dr Spearing said.

The attitude of government departments could be justified, he maintained, only if IRPC members were elected by a totally unbiased and widely based body of professionally qualified people, and if it could them. keep its recommendations abreast of advances in bio-He described how it

eight years for the IRPC to alter an important standard for assessing radiation hazards. That was clearly unsatisfactory. pendent body set up by the World Health Organization. Dr Spearing asked Mr Justice

azards on the lines of the Environmental Protection Agency in America, an organization that invited criticism of proposed standards and held public hearings.

Dumping denial: Mr Arthur Scott, secretary of British Nuclear Fuels, was recalled to the inquiry yesterday to deny allegations that plutonium and nighly radioactive waste from the reprocessing plant was being dumped in Australia (the Press Association reports).

The allegations had been made by Mrs Catharine Dalton, widow of a nuclear scientist and daughter of Mr Robert Graves.

helicopter crash

Rome, Nov 1.—The command-ing general of Italy's para-military police has been killed in a helicopter crash in the Mafia infested mountains of

Members of his staff said the helicopter carrying General Enrico Mino, chief of the Carabinleri, on an inspection tour crashed in wind and rain last night, killing all six people on board. Rescue teams found the wreckage and bodies early

Signor Artilio Ruffini, the Defence Minister, went to the scene and appointed General Alessandro Mettimano, Chief of Staff of the Air Force, to head an investigation commission. In Rome a bomb exploded outside the offices of the official magazine of th eruling Christian Democratic Party tonight.
No one was hurt.—UPI and

Carabinieri chief | From barrow boy to property king From Robert Schuil tive economist without a single in the hope that it his family Amsterdam, Nov I The disappearance of Maurits

Caransa, the millionaire pro-perty owner, is becoming more of an enigma as each day passes without a sign of life from him or his kidnappers. Only one thing seems more or less certain, the deepening mystery is not of his own making.

Mr Caransa was kidnapped in Amsterdam early last Friday across the road from the Amstel Hotel, a property he once bought by telephone from his sickhed and subsequently sold.

Maurits Caranse has been besides himself.

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The first property bought by for bodyguras. He compared up as king of the program of the property business, as an authorital lewish quarter. He bought it his own.

because he can got a haircut house. there for only 60p. His father was a fuel mer-

chant, and at the age of 12 Maupie, as the youth was known, was on the street push-ing his father's barrow of goods for sale. His sucess story began only after the Second World . He survived the Nazi bolo-

caust by "sheer luck", as he sickhed and subsequently sold.

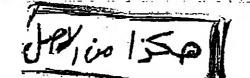
This somewhat happy-go-lucky avoids talking about. His approach to business is characteristic of a man who a few years ago turned down with a shrug an offer from Slater and hundreds of thousands of fellow the structure of the str years ago turned down with a shrug an offer from Slater and hundreds of thousands of tenom shrug an offer from Slater and hundreds of thousands of tenom waste to take over life empire Dutch Jews were never to return. Only a sister survived besides himself.

diploma, and as a multi-returned from Germany they millionaire who drives a Roils would have no difficulty in Royce but holidays in Romania finding him. He still owns the After the war, he went into

the army surplus business which allowed him to accumulate sufficient capital to venture into the buying and selling of property. After some years he had amassed a considerable fortune and became known to the general public through the acquisition of several well-known shops and hotels mainly in Amsterdam.

A man who refuses to get involved in politics, Mr Caransa is an enthisiastic sports fan, particularly loyal to Alax foot-ball club.

He neither smokes nor drinks. Alvays in excellent health and spirits, he never felt the ored for bodyguerds. He coercimally worried about the sefety of his family, but never about



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Ethiopia uses Russian Queen to fly weapons to strike back at Somali rebels

Above the Kara Marda Pass, Ethiopia, Nov 1.—Ethiopia has launched a series of punishing to cement their hold on captumentatacks against Somali tured territory to the south. insurgents fighting to capture the mountain fortress of Harer, according to the insurgent field

The Ethiopians have deployed a large amount of advanced Soviet weaponry in the barrie and are using specialists from Cuba and South Yemen, he said. Jama Hassan, who commands Western Somali Liberation Front forces in the area, told a group of foreign journalists on a tour of captured Ethiopian-lerritory that his troops were encountering the stiffest resis-tance they had faced since their offensive began in earnest at the end of July.

While conceding a material disadvantage against the Ethiopians. Mr Hassan said he was confident his troops would eventually prevail in the fighting for

"The land is against them and the people of Harer are Somalis", he said. "The Ethiopians have new weapons but this will not be a problem for the liberation front."

Fighting for Harer has been going on since the beginning of September, just after the insurgents captured the Ethiopian tank base of Jijiga, which lies on the plains just east of Kara Marda Pass.

Mr Bassan said fighting now centred round Babile, a town about two-thirds of the way about two-thirds of the way from Jijiga to Harer, a distance of 60 miles. The insurgents were also fighting the Ethiopians in the hills round the ancient walled city. The insurgents had taken the eastern half of Babile but had not succeeded in cutting the supply road which links to Harer to Addis Ababa.

The Ethiopians bave com-mand of the air and make daily raids against Somali positions from a base located outside
from a base located outside
Dire Down. Monsoon rains in
the past week have grounded
the Ethiopian squadrons of
American F5 fighters and Soviet
military excraft.

mikrary encreast.

Mr Hassen said the rains were
a mixed blessing because they
hindered the Somali supply
effort. Traffic on the unsurfaced road which runs from
Somalia has been brought to a crawl by accumulated water and long stretches of axle-deep mad. The Ethiopians, who have

been receiving a steady supply of Soviet arms since they expelled American military personnel in April, are fielding such strategic weapons as heavy T55 tanks long-range 155mm arrillery and rocket artillery.
Western diplomatic source

Along with the industrial in Mogadishu place the Cuban centre of Dire Dawa, Jijiga and presence in Ethiopia at about Harer composed the main 300 men. Some Somalis put the Ethiopian defence line for the figure as high as 2,000.—UPL

home on Concorde today

From Michael Leapman.

Bridgerown, Nov 1 big engagement of her silver jubilee tours today when she opened the Barbados Parliament in the picturesque grey stone administration building in the heart of Bridgetows, capital of Barbados. Tomorrow she leaves for London on her first flight in Contorde and opens the British Parliament on Thursday

British Parliament on Thursday.

The tours have taken her some 56,000 miles in 13 countries; including 8,000 miles travelling around Britain. When 250 guests packed the decks on the royal yacht Britannia to might to watch refreat being beaten on the quayside, it brought to about 5,000 the number of guests who have been entertained on the yacht shis year.

entertained on the yacht shis year.

There is moth satisfaction among the royal party about the way the jubilee tours have gone. For the jubilee of King George, Y in 1935, the leaders of the Empire and Common wealth wept to London to pay homage, the Queen decided that this time, it would be more in keeping, with the modern Commonwealth if she went out to see its peoples.

In doing so, she brought to a new pitch the technique of "walkabouts" which she began using seven years ago. "She enjoys them more and more as she finds out how to draw



people, one observer of this year's tours observed. Arthur Reed, Our Air Correspondent, writes: British Airways says the Concorde bringing the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh home will cover the 3,586 miles between Barbados and London in less than four hours, or about half the time taken by subsonic jets. As the sircraft cruises at 60,000ft at 1,350 mph over the Atlantic, the royal party will be served what the airline describe as a typical Concorde lunch.

This will include canapés of paté de fois gras, sinoked sal-mon and caviar, fresh salmon or breast of duckling, and fresh-strawberries. Wines will in-clude a 1969 champagne, a 1970 white Bordeaux, a 1971 rad Bordeaux and a 1976 Burgundy.

Canberra Nov 1.-The Prince of Wales arrived at the Royal Australian Air Force base of Fairbairn today, beginning an 11-day tour of Australia as part of the Silver Jubilee year

The Prince was first greeted by Sir John Kerr, the Governor-General, and Mr. Malcolm Fraser, the Australian Prime Minister, in Sydney, He flew from Sydney on board an RAAF BAC111 jet after arriving from San Francisco on a regular Quartas Boeing 747 with his household staff of 10.

The tour has a note of in-formality about it. There were no hairds or inspections for the

Soviet supersonic jet goes into service

Alma Ara Nov 1:—The Soviet passengers for back in their supersonic ardiner. TU144, to marrow seats. day carried out a noisy but Twenty minutes later the air-smooth anaugusal flight open-liner, having cleared Moscow's ing a regular passenger service mo between Moscow and Ahna Ata, 2 the capital of Kazakhstan.

The estimated 80 passengers, most of them journalists and civilian awaiton officials including the aircraft's designer Mr. Alexei Tupolay, had to shout to make memselves heard in the

miles in just under two hours at speeds reaching more than 1,250 mph. It returned to Moscow by mid-afternoon.

Mr. Tupolev acknowledged

the noise problem inside the airliner but dismissed the ques-tion of sonic booms generated

ourside

"The sonic boom is no noisy. Shor so it is no different than a thunderclap—so it is no different than nature "Itself" he told an airport press conference on landing here.

He acknowledged that the Ch Kuzner and le nesdect, the TUIS4 trijet air liner and said: "We are looking into the problem."

It was caused by the super-

it was caused by the super-sonic sirliner's four huge jet-engines' need to reach Mach 2 speeds, as well a; by an air venthation system needed to cool the 248°F (120°C) temperatures of the airliner's outside titanium

Captain Boris Kuznetsov, the pilot, sent the TU144, with its curious single stabilizing wing extending from the front, thundering noisily down the runway to take off at 9 am and go into a speep climb that thrust

more populous zones, hit Mach

Three Aeroflor hostesses dispensed cognac, wine, caviar and roast beef from serving carts which could barely negotiate

wench could carely negotiate the narrow aisle.

Seating in the front half of the supersonic airliner is three on one side of the aisle and two on the other. In the narrower rear part of the fuselage the seating is two by

the way, even when the siriner was theoretically outrunning its own sound. The cloakroom and rest room section at the very rear were almost unbearably

Shortly before 11 am the TU144 dropped into the mountain-ringed valley which hugs the Chinese border and Captain Ruznersov touched the runway and let out the drag parachute needed to assist braking. The trouble-plagued TU144

has been under development for nearly a decade. Today's inaugural passenger flight had originally been scheduled for more than six years ago.

A number of serbacks pushed the schedule back. The most spectacular was the crash of a TU144 projetype at the 1973. Paris air show in which 14 people were killed.

Thus it was only today—two years after the Anglo-French Concorde went into service

Human rights warning to US ignored

peaceful advocates whose trials appear related in large part to the question of the way the [Heisinia] final act is being implemented.

Soviet representative, replied that the United States appeared "reverting to the cold

What is the purpose of this conference: to hard barbs

Russian reply "low-key", how-ever, and said it indicated the familiar to him "--UPI.

Shoppers die in

The owner of one stand was apparently demonstrating a firecracker for a customer when it dropped into the stand and

Warrant for Fischer

Pasadena, California, Nov 1.

Police have issued a warrant occusing Bobby Fischer, aged 34, the former world chess cliampion, of forcing his way into the home of Mrs Holly

hus, a magazine writer, and hirring her on the face because of a story about his affiliation with the Worldwide Church of

Islamabad, Nov L.—The Supreme Court ended the hearing of a perition against the detention of Mr Bhutto, the former Prime iMulster, and 10 of his government and party leaders. Chief Justice Anway

leaders. Chief Justice Anwar ul-Haque said that he would deliver a short verbal judge-

Professor honoured New York, Nov 1.—Professor Francis Haskell, of Oxford

nineteenth century.

Surinam election

Georgetown, Guyana, Nov l.

The ruling cochition led by Mr.
Henk Arron, the Prime Minister, was entraed to power to
Suntam's fist general election
since it gained independence
from The Netherlands in
November, 1975.

New York, Nov 1.—Mr Frank Sturgis, one of the "plumbers" in the Watergate scandal, has been arrested and charged with

'Plumber arrested

Judgment reserved

In brief

Belgrade, Nov 1. — The United States, ignoring a Soviet warning that the human rights issue could break up the Belgrade conference on European security, today criticized political repression in East Europe and alleged violations of the 1975 Helsinki agreement. Mr. Arthur Goldberg, the American chief delegate, said: "It is difficult to agree that the United States had been preaceful advocates whose trials appear related in large part to the question of the way the [Helsinki] final act is speech ignored and appearent Soviet threat of a walk-out was not serious. Mr Goldberg referred to the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia and Poland by name in his 50-minute speech, which centred on a provision in the Helsinki freedoms, Including the freedoms, Including the freedom of thought, conscience, religion or belief". He agreed that the United States had been guilty of some human rights violations.

"In spite of the blemishes on our record, the point is that

our record, the point is that governmental institutions in the United States are working to eliminate injustices rather than

to deny them", he said.
According to delegates. Mr
Vorontsov replied: "The Vorontsov replied: "The United States delegate has spoken abour his own country, but when he gave examples of injustice, he no longer spoke about the United States, but Western delegates called the about other countries where

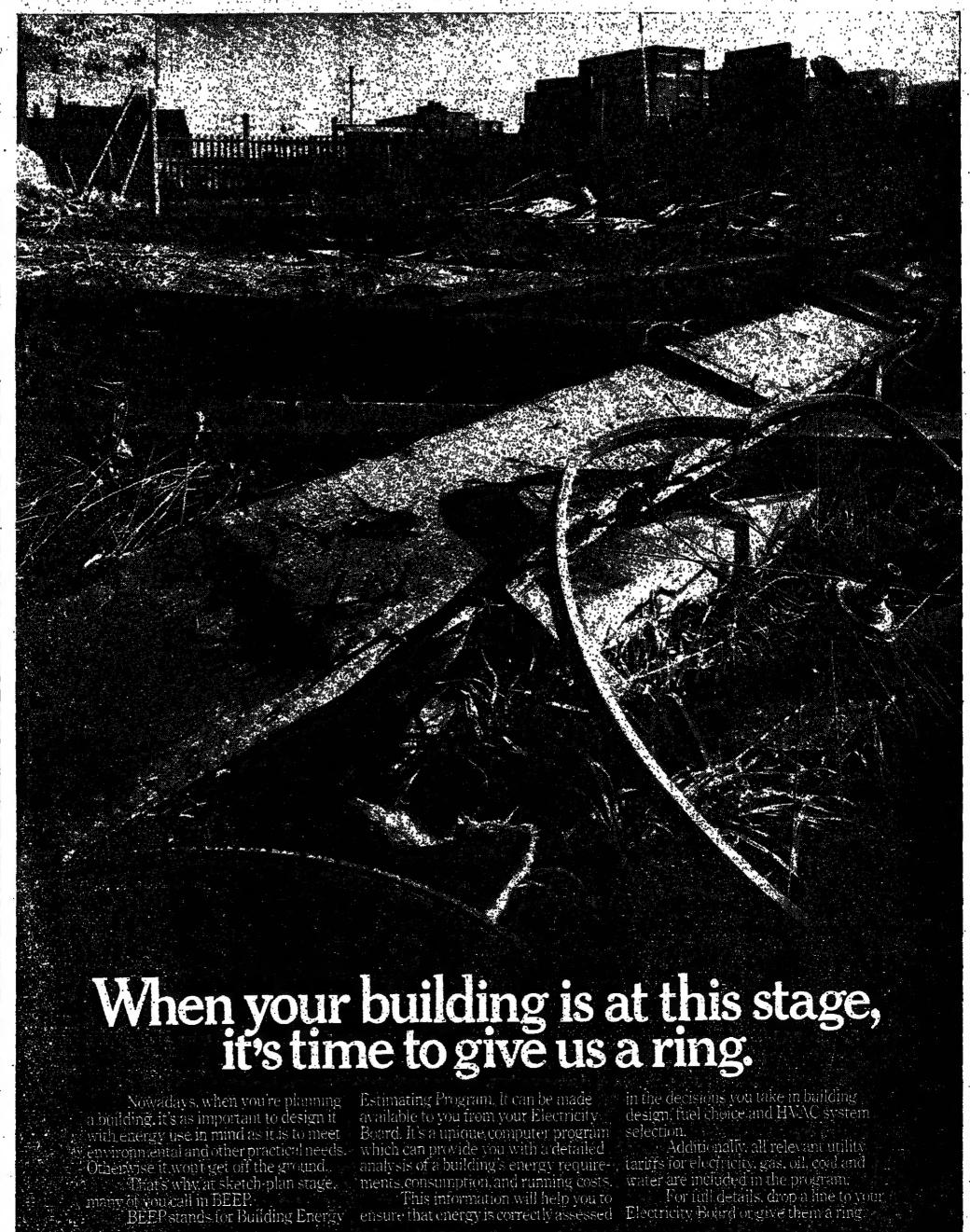
Anti-hijack resolution

firecracker blaze A firecracker stand in an open-air market here exploded in fiames last night, killing at least nine people and injuring 39, three of them seriously. The market was crowded as families did their shopping for the All did their shopping for the All Souls Day holiday.

Francis Haskell, of Oxford University, has won the first annual Mitchell Prize for the History of Art for his Rediscoveries in Art, an examination of changing artistic tastes in England and France in the interests of the Contract of the C still 'the

"Fleet Street is the same old of new printing machinery.

issue to the shop floor, but "the shop floor has resisted the use of new rechnology in Fleet Street across the board". Sir Denis said that in the United States the unions had decided to concentrate the fight on getting the best deal from management in exchange for accepting the new technology. He hoped the same would happen in Fleet Street.—Reuter.



is approved New York, Nov 1.—The United Nations General Assembly's special political committee

today condemned sircraft hi-lacking and called on all states to tighten sirport and sirline

The resolution, adopted with-out a vote, appealed to all states to adhere to three exist-ing international treaties directed against interference with commercial aviation. The draft now goes to the assembly for endorsement.

The 149-nation committee took up the bijacking issue last week after the International Federation of Air Line Pilots' Associations threatened a 48-hour walkout if the United Nations did not deal with the problem urgently.

A number of amendments were made to the original text of the resolution, mainly to meet objections by Arab, African and other Third World states.

One part of the resolution called for "joint and separate action" by all states to ensure that air passengers and crew are not used as a means of extorting advantage of any kind. This was amended to make such action "subject to respect for the purposes and principles of the charter and the relevant United Nations declarations, covenants and resolutions and without prejudice to the sovereignty or territorial integrity of any state".—Reuter.

Fleet Street is

same old jungle

Hongkong, Nov 1 .- Sir Denis Hamilton, chairman and editorinchief of Times Newspapers, said here today that losses caused to newspapers by industrial disputes in Fleet Street this year were "frightful and catastrophic ".

jungle of overmanning and un-fair claims", he said at a luncheon. The Times had in-stalled millions of pounds worth

"Once it does work, it will be a major contribution to keeping The Times going over this century", he said. The unions had referred the

intenidating a witness linked with an inquiry into President Kennedy's assassination, police French envoy drowns Pancete, Tohiti, Nov 1.—M Charles Schmitt, the French ligh Commissioner to French Polynesia, was drowned today in a boating accident.

Lack of money forces UN relief body to halve refugee rations

Beirut, Nov 1. — Financial lems. The 19-month civil war in difficulties have forced the Lebanon aggravated its finan-United Nations Relief and cial difficulties. Works Agency (UNRWA) to halve its raitons of flour to Palestinian refugees, but the agecy today denied a report of plans to stop food aid

The left-wing Beirut news-paper Al-Kifah al-Arabi had reported that UNRWA had decided to stop providing food to the refugees from January 1, 1978, although educational and health services would be main-

"This is completely false", Mr Robert Prevot, the local UNRWA director, said roday.

"No final decision has been taken. What has been decided is to reduce the flour ration for the last four months of this

Some 831,000 of the 1,700,000

From Michael Knipe

Jerusalem, Nov 1

Protest strikes against the

Government's new economic policies continued in Israel today closely coordinated by

the trade unions.
About 70,000 workers staged

work stoppages of between four and 24 hours in Haifa, the cumtry's third largest city. Similar actions yesterday prounded all El Al aircraft and

kept some 12,000 workers away from their jobs in the southern

The protest actions are being organized by the local labour councils of the Histadrut (trade union federation) as an expres-

sion of resentment at the Gov-

ernment's sweeping economic reforms introduced last Friday.

Under the measures, currency controls have been abundoned

one-day general strike.

Strikes spread in Israel

against austerity moves

from their jobs in the southern constal industrial centre of Ashdod. Tomorrow the action is to centre on Beersheba, in the Neget, where workers from the measures by a 53 to 32 rote last night, Mr Ehrlich, the representatives have called a that real wages would not decline under the real wages.

Mr Thomas McElhiney, the

commissioner-general of UNRWA, outlined the grim financial situation of agency in a recent report to the United Nations General Assembly. The organization will require \$138m (£76m) to operate in 1978, according to

UNRWA budget estimates.

Much of the difficulty stems from the fact that UNRWA is lependent on voluntary contributions made at an annual "pledging conference" which takes place this month in New

The United States is by far the largest regular donar, providing 53 per cent of all UNRWA operating funds since it started in 1950, followed by

Some 831,000 of the 1,700,000 Palestinian refugees registered with UNRWA in Lebanon, Syria Jordan and the Israelioccupied West Bank and Gaza Strip receive monthly rations, which normally consist of 22lb of flour, which has now been cut to 11lb, as well as sugar, rice and cooking oil.

"Our budget deficit for this year is \$12m. If there are no additional contributions, I am afraid the cut in the flour ration will stand next year as well", Mr Prevot said.

Since its establishment in 1950, followed by Britain, which has contributed 11 per cent, Mr McElbiney has asked for contributions to be pledged in advance so that agency officials could plan on a three-year basis.

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About 30,000 refugees were displaced during the civil war and UNRWA schools, buildings and refugee, shelters uffered considerable damage.—UPI.

causing a 44 per cent devalua-tion of the Israeli pound and hefty increases in the cost of living.

The Opposition's Labour

alignment and its supporters contend that the economic reforms will benefit the better

off sections of the community at the expense of the under-

privileged. The Government is complaining that the strikes are

being organized for political rather than economic reasons.

decline under the new arrange-

previous Minister of Finance, conceded that the new measures

Mr Yehoshua Rabinowitz, the



Foreign Office explains UN vetoes

By Roger Berthoud

Foreign Office officials sought to explain yesterday why Britain, with the United States and France, vetned three resoluctions at the United Nations on Monday night which called for embargoes on the sale of arms to South Africa and on her impostment there.

new investment there.
To the outsider, the Security
Council decisions were the
more baffling since the three Western powers, supported by West Garmany and Canada, had themselves earlier taken the considerable step of tabling their own draft resolution proposing an arms embargo. They hope this wiff be voted on later this week.

Monday's vetoes were yester-day roundly condemned by the Anti-Apartheid Movement. A spokesman said that two of the spokesman said that two of the resolutions, calling for a mandatory, permanent arms embargo and for a freeze on new investment, seemed "eminently reasonable". These proposals, he said, had the support in Britain of the Labour and Liberal Parties and of the TUC.

"We have argued since the "We have argued since the movement was founded in 1959 had some positive features but said that they placed an unfair burden do the workers without any attempt at a more just distribution of the burden. Inovement was founded in 1959 that unless action were taken to cut military, political and economic links with South Africa, the British Government would inevitably, whatever is

to do, be obliged to side with the status quo. Last night we saw that happening." It was, the spokesman said,

ing-term political suicide. If there were a race war in South Africa, those who had given weapons and funds to the apartheid regime would be responsible. To th eForeign Office, how-

ever, Monday's vetoes were wholly consistent with declared Western dolicy and should have surprised an debocked no one. The resolutions in question had been tabled in March by African members of the

been tabled in March by African members of the Security Council. The Western powers had let it be known all along that they would vote against several of them.

Meanwhile they had carefully concerted their own positions on sanctions, and last Friday Dr Gwen, the Foreign Secretary, was able to say in a speech that Britain, with the United States, France, Canada and West Germany, would "vote in favour of a resolution containing a mandatory arms containing a mandatory sems embergo acainst South Africa, and will accept a commitment to review our economic relationships with South

Why then did these powers on Monday night put them-selves in the postion once again

explanations, because they did tion, which saw atleged "pertistions over Namibia and Rhodesia. On the economic front, they were not prepared to be 'stampeded' into manda-

tory measures.

Meanwhile the West's draft resolution, in a revised version resolution, in a revised version tabled by Canada and West Germany, lies on the table. It would direct all member states to "cease forthwith any provision of arms to South Africa", including paramilinary police equipment and all spare parts. It calls for a progress report by May 1, 1978, but no longer gives any time limit for the duration of the ban.

Rail strikes worsen in **Argentina**

The Argentine caoind re-mained without its underground railway services for the fourth day today. There were also signs that the military Govern-ment might face a renewal of the railway strike which affec-ted much of the country last week.

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Underground railway workers, who are demanding higher pay, have now ignored two orders from the state-owned company to return to work or face dismissal and possible prosecution under the laws banding strike action. They briefly resumed negotiations were announced, but went on strike again after rumours that their leaders had been arrested.

been arrested.
Negotiations between the Negotiations between the state railways and workers who suspended their strike on Saturday to enable talks to begin have proved abortive so far. Some workers in the industrial city of Rosario, north of Buenos Aires, have resuraed strike action in protest.

The Government is reported to be planning to permit state corporations to increase pay up

to be plaining to period sake corporations to increase pay up to 40 per cent to end the strikes, but the men are demanding far higher increases on wages which in some cases are less than £33 a month.

world to rescue South Africa from effective international

any tane limit for the duration of the ban.
Our Johannesbur: Correspondent writes: The Western vences were given a guarded, almost grudging welcome by Mr R. F. Botha, the South African Foreign Minister.

Largely, acording to official not like the wording of the African arms embargo resolusistent military action? South Africa against neighbourin gstates at the main threat to peace, rather than internal repression; and they feered possible repercussions on nego-

"We will not approve the disbandment of any of our forces", Mr van der Byl said. "The security forces will remain inviolate". He expec-

Carver mission over to a man who had no real Mr van der Byl has a reputa-tion as Rhodesia's most out-

nate, to discuss a ceasefire in Rhodesia would succeed. Mr Pieter van der Byl, the Rhode-sian Foreign Minister, said ing a dead with the Russians which is reminiscent of nothing so much as the Molotov Ribben-In an interview with The Times on the eve of Lord Carver's arrival in Salisbury, Mr plans for an internal settlement if the present Anglo-American iniplative failed.

Lord Carver is due in Salis-bury tomprow from Dar es Salzam where he held a brief and apparently unsuccessful round of talks with leaders of the Patriotic From yesterday. General Prem Chand, the United Nations special representative. is also due here tomorrow. A separate British diplomatic mission, headed by Mr John Greham, deputy Under Secretary at the Foreign Office, will arrive on Thorsday.

Rhodesian doubts on

From Nicholas Ashford Salisbury, Nov 1 It was "very doubtful" whether the mission of Field Marshal Lord Carver, British resident commissioner design

resident commissioner desig-

van der Byl made it clear that the Rhodesian Government in-tended to press ahead with its

at the Foreign Office, win arrive on Thursday.

A programme has not yet been announced for Lord Carver's visit. He is expected to see Mr Smith, the Prime Minister, and melitar yleaders and may also visit an "operational area". On Friday he will meet leaders of the main internally-based nationalist movements, Bishop Abel Muzorewa and the Rev Ndabaningi Sithole.

Mr van der Byl said the was doubtful about Lord Carver's mission succeeding because of what took place in Dar es Salasam and the response he was likely to receive in Salisbury. At the Dar es Salasam meeting, which lasted only just over an bour, the leaders of the Patriotic Front refused to recognize Lord Carver's role as resident commissioner. The question of a ceasefire was not even discussed.

The Rhodesians are also unhapy about Lord Carver's unhapy about Lord Carver's status and the powers he would be given under the Anglo-American plan. "As far as we are concerned", Mr van der Byl said, "Carver is only coming here in response to our invitation to discuss questions concerning the practicalities of a ceasefure. That is all. He is not coming here as some kind of siceroy."

The minister made clear that Rhodesia was not prepared to make any compromises on the crucial question of the role of the security forces during a transitional period. The Anglo-American plan calls for the dis-bandment of certain units of the Rhodesian armed forces and for the creation of a us Zimbabesa army based on the "Liberation forces".

communist rebels

Burmese Army killed more than 500 communist guerrilles and

host 126 soldiers including 13 officers, in battles last month

near its north-eastern border with Chins, the Government announced today. A further 39 troops were missing and 237 wounded.

Burness Air Force orcraft attacked rebel positions, and a Vampire jet fighter crashed in the area.

There were at least 25 big

There were at least 25 big engagements in the 201e, between October 3 and 27, including 10 that involved hand-to-hand fighting. Government troops were pursuing the rebels up to their headquarters at Ho Swan, on the border.

The engagements began when more than 1,500 men of the Burnese Communist Party tried to gain control of a strategic highway. Troops, supported by the People's Militia and local villagers, folled their plan, according to the announce-

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ment.
"The enemy withdrew in diservey to the border, leaving 373 bodies of over 500 rebels

Burmese troops kill 500

spoken leader, and he was ex-tremely critical of both the British and American role in

He accused Dr Owen, the Foreign Secretary, during his recent visit to Moscow of maktrop deal over the dismember-ment of Polend". The whole history of East-West detente had been one of making deals with the Russians which the foolish West " honoured al-though the Russians gave nothing as all in return.

Mr van der Byl went on to describe President Carrer's Administration as "mindless" and one which was "prepared to go on throwing as many bones to the crocodiles as they can" in order to avoid a confrontation with the Russians. He added: "The result is a triparrite American-British-Russian set-up in southern Africa. It's almost unbeliev-

Mr van der Byl is a key mem Mr van der Byl is a key member of the Rhodesian Government's negotiating team. He recently accompanied Mr Smith to Lusaka for talks with President Kaunda of Zambia.

For all Mr van der Byl's fighting talk, more and more Rhodesian whites now believe that a black government will be in power in Salisbury by the end of the year.

As one senior official put it: "What is going to emerge is a

As one senior oricial put n':

"What is going to emerge is a
black dictatorship. We must try
to ensure that it will be a
benevolent one, as in Maiawi.
That is all we can hope for. All
this talk about elections and
democracy is a load of non-

What remains to be decided is who will make up the black government and how it will take over power. This is basically the

problem facing Lord Carver.
Paradoxically, the Government of Mr Smith and the
Patriotic Front share the same
principal objections to the
Anglo-American settlement package.
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of the disapprove of the far-reaching powers which Lord Carver will wield during the transitional period and both re-ject the plan's proposals for the security forces. The Patriotic Front wants the Rhodesian forces to be disbanded and replaced by its own guerrilla army. The Rhodesian Government wants to keep its forces

Intact.

Lord Carver will receive a more sympathetic hearing from the internally-based nationalist groups headed by Bishop Muzorewa and Mr Sithole who between them are said to have the support of the majority of blacks in Rhodesia.

These grants have an interest

These groups have an interest in seeing the bulk of the Rho remain inviolate." He expected the war against the Patriotic Front guerrillas to go on. It was "unread" to expect Rhodesia to start disbanding its army and hand its troops few guerrillas of their own.

statement on the though officials said

earlier today that senior military leaders had toured the

area over the weekend and visited units fighting the com-

Observers said that the re-ourgence of rebel activity in the north-east border region might mean that the main com-must, thrust was once more directed there.—Reuter.

Mr Richard Helms: staving out of jail.

Leniency for Mr Helms is criticized

Washington, Nov 1

The news that Mr Richard Helms, former Director of the the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) will probably not go to jail for telling lies to the Senate has surprised nobody here, although many people are expressing dismuy lecision.

Senator Frank Church, who was chairman of a Senate committee which investigated the CTA in 1975-76, said: "I thought there was to be an end to the double standard of justice for the big shots. Apparently Helms was too hot to handle."

Mr Helms pleaded note contendere (no contest) to two minor charges of failing to give complete answers to questions put to him by Senate committees in 1973. The maximum sentence for each offence is a year in iail and a fine of \$1,600 (£550). The Department of Justice recommended that Mr Helms should be given a

spended sentence. The judge in whose court Mr Helms appeared yesterday said that he did not accept the arrangement and would pass sentence later. It is not likely, bowever, that he will send Mr Helms to jail.

This is the same procedure that was followed in the case of Mr Richard Kleindienst, a Nixon Attorney-General, who also lied to a Senate Committee. He got off with a fine and a suspended sentence

Coincidentally, International Telephone and Telegraph was involved in both cases. The two offences which Mr Helms has admitted were that he lied about the CIA's involvement in ciforts to defeat Dr Saivador Allende's election as President of Chile in 1970, and that on another occasion he lied about ITT's involvement in the same enterprise.

Mr Helms was director of the CIA until his appointment ns Ambassador to Iran early in 1973. Mr Nixon pushed him out because he did not co-orerate fully in the Watergate

In its statement to the judge yesterday, the Justice Depart-ment spoke of Mr Helm's services to his country, and said:
"The trial of the case would involve tremendous costs to the United States, and mi-jeopardize national secrets."

Mr Helms believed that under the statute setting up the CIA he was bound to pro-rect the agency and its secrets. He told the judge: "I found myself in a position of conflict. I didn't want to die. I didn't want to mislead the Senaté. I was simply trying to find my way through a very difficult situation in which I found my-

wisited units fighting the communist rebels.

Brigadier-General Aye Ko, the deputy chief of staff and Deputy Defence Minister, has visited the border region twice in the past two weeks.

More than 500 communist guertillas were reported to have been killed by government forces in the first eight months of this year in eastern Burma.

Burmese troops have been fighting the guertillas since the communists took to the jungle in 1946.

In November, 1971, the communists hurled thousands of rebel troops at a strategic town in north-east Burma, but government forces, supported by sixtraft and artiflery, drove them back after 40 days of fighting.

Observers said that the resumence of weeks Many of Mr Helms's statements to congressional committees were disingenuous or flatly misleading. The ones chosen for the nolo contendere plea were particularly flagrant. ITT had long consultations with the CIA on contributions it might make to defeat Er Allende, and the CIA made strenuous efforts to defeat him or to prevent his inauguration when he won the 1970 election. Many of Mr Helms's state-

Correction

The Prisoner of Conscience column on Sefior Julian Lopez Pablo in Monday's paper was concerned throughout with El Salvador, not Bolivia as streed in the article's headline and introduction.

Professor warns of slide that could lead 'from Weimar to Hitler'

Supreme Court accused of usurping power unconstitutionally?" he asks. "Respect for the limits of power are the essence of a democratic society; without it, the entire democratic structure is undermined, and the way is paved from Weimar to Hitler." rulings of 1962 and 1964 that From Warren Weaver

Washington, Nov 1

Professor Raoul Berger, the legal scholar and historian, has fired a broadside at the Supreme Court of the past 25 years that is likely to startle many of the liberal political admirers he won in the Nixon

Professor Berger, a senior fellow at the Harvard Law School, attracted attention in recent years by his books on impeachment and executive privilege containing legal arguments against the stands taken by Mr Richard Nixon, the

Now, in a book that has just been published, Professor Berger accuses the Supreme Court of usurping power and handing down sweeping social decisions that, he says, violate the Constitution, invoking in the process memories of both Mr Nixon and Adolf Hitler.

"How long can public respect for the court, on which its power plrimately depends its power ultimately depends, survive if the people become

unconstitutional is itself acting ment

fairhfully executed.

It is necessary and right that the nine justices be held "to a like standard", Professor Berger writes, quoting approvingly from Mr Louis Lunsky's 1975 book, By What Right?

Professor Berger's book, Government by Judiciary, was published by the Harvard University Press. He retained the title of Charles Warren senior, fellow, in American legal history at the Harvard Law School after his retirement last year. aware that the tribunal which condemns the acts of others as

justices, who seek to impose their will on the nation.

Warren: the 1954 ruling out-lawing racial segregation in the public schools and the dual rulings of 1962 and 1964 that established the one-man, one-He insists that the nation should not tolerate the specvote" rule for apportionment of districts for elective office. tacle of a court that pretends to apply " constitutional man-dates while, in fact, revising them in accordance with the preference of a majority of the in both instances, Professor Berget argues, the High Court far exceeded the intentions of

the 35th Congress that drafted the 14th amendment to the Constitution. That amendment, he maintains, left the states free after the civil war to decide individually whether schools should remain segregated or blacks be allowed to more and thus provides as the "Mr Richard Nixon learnt at last that even a President cau-not set himself above the law, that he is obliged to take care that the laws be faithfully executed. vote, and thus provides no sup-port for the later Supreme Court rulings.

Professor Berger is also critical of the court headed by Chief Justice Warren Burger, who succeeded Mr Warren in 1969, for judicial "Jegislating," but not at as great a length. He says that it would be inopportune to show in detail that the strict constructionist Burger court chings as firmly

He is specifically critical, however, of a 1970 ruling of the Burger court that permitted the use of juries of six rather than 12 members.

Professor Berger concedes in the conclusion of his book that it would be unrealistic to expect the Supreme Court to adom his narrower view of the

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due process and equal protecamendment and reverse dese-gregation decisions that were based on a contrary interpretation.

He suggests, however, that the justices "might begin by curbing their reach for still more policy making power" by withdrawing from future decisions involving school busing, reapportionment, criminal law, obscenity and libel and leaving these matters to state courts.

these matters to state courts and legislatures, subject only to constitutional limitations.

As an indication of why he undertook the 400 page attack

on the contemporary Supreme Court, Professor Berger declares: "A prime task of scholarship is to heighten public awareness, that the court has been overleading its bounds."—New York Times News Service.





The making of two classic styles of sherry.

Throughout the summer, white Palomino grapes were slowly ripening on the gently rolling hills that surround Jerez de la Frontera.

They were harvested in September. then pressed, and now the mosto (juice) is being allowed to ferment freely in casks within the cool vaulted bodegas.

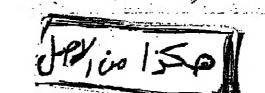
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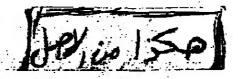
Ouly those that do will ultimately become finos or amontillados.

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Think about it over your next cup of tea.

Natural growth versus a 'Canute' policy

by Geoffrey Weston

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cent) and for Eritain (6.7 connects Norwich Road with powers to the full, declined. The borough council now reserves housing for skilled workers, who are in seriously short supply, a measure designed to create jobs for the unskilled who form the bulk of the unemployed. In the medium term demand for what should have been on the line of the bypass is shops. The shops are almost likely in the next few months.

been a market town serving a wide rural area with some of the richest agricultural land in Britain, as well as a port and trading centre with the Continent. Much of its substantial growth in recent years and its bright economic prospects are huilt on the south sound expand east wards towards the constitutions.

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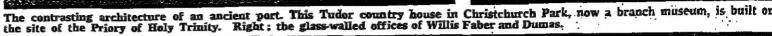
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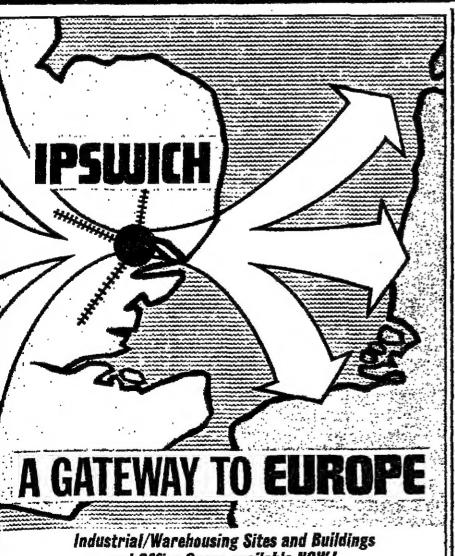
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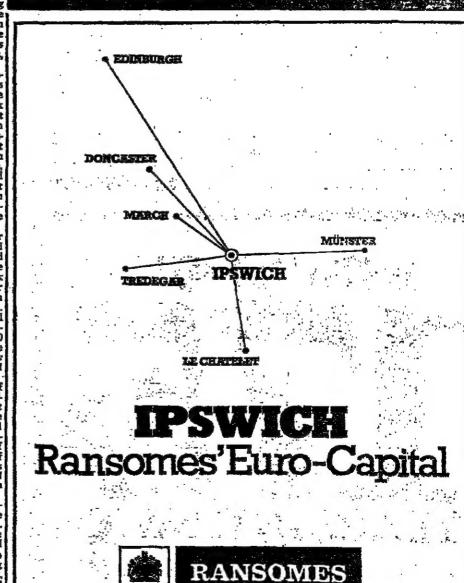
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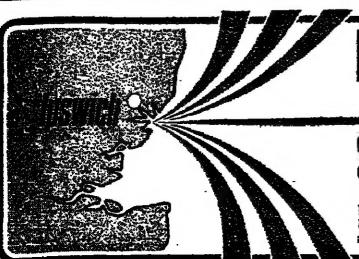
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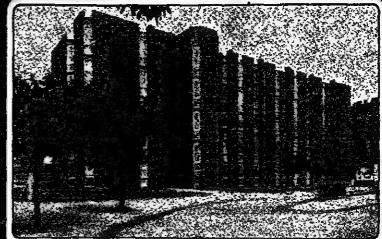
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relate how he once entered people undermines their a field with his snare and beauty, are not heavily the locals tried to catch him. promoted.

creeping in from all directions they met in the middle, but Cecil had vanished. Culching them, richest of the medieval wool towns, has but Cecil had vanished or place. Its endless wealth of balf timbering is only marred by the coaches them. He is now part of the furniture in the local that stop in front of the furniture in the local matched public house, where smaller has a ford at the bis memory for such tales becomes remarkably active when he has been offered a pint of his favourise braw almost unchanged for 400 means the stop in the stop and its laced with gin. pecomes remarkably acrive church on the top, and its brought 134,000 visitors to when he has been offered a single street has been pint of his favourite brew almost unchanged for 400 pears.

Claud hives in the next amblet and has never lived nywhere else. Now over 60, a bicycles to work down the street has been passed through Ipswich. Increased cargo handling has also meant more business traffic.

hamlet and has never lived anywhere else. Now over 60, he bicycles to work down the lane, his cap pulled down over one ear, and looks after the pigs on a small farm, a lob he has done for the nast 12 mans.

rather nebulous appeal of East Anglia to visitors—the gently rolling country of Akenfield, with its wide open skies, magnificent sunsets and the strange kind of light that inspired so many of Britain's finest water

Cecil lives in a hamlet 11 Board, which has an office recent times people in the miles from Ipswich. He was in Ipswich is more likely to town appear to have been once the local poacher but be asked about the most slow to realize the tourist picturesque spots which, potential, because the pressure of According to Mr Peter According to Mr Peter O'Meara, the enthusiastic manager of The Post House just outside Ipswich, the town is losing millions of

> The Townsend Thoreser ferry service from Zee-brugge and the Tor Line ser-vice from Gothenburg

the country by the east coast

ports and an attractive tour-ing centre in its own right Once a visitor has arrived

between the competing interests of all the tourist spon

Earlier this year, Mr Meara formed the Ipswich

step towards coordinating tourist interests, and the Chamber of Commerce pub-

lishes a useful shopping guide. Steps are being taken to set up a body under a

chairman to be provided

e borough council.

O'Meara feels that promotio

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from as far as Sweden. Four

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boxing and international table tennis. The Corr

Exchange, a Victorian build-ing, has been cleverly con-

funds could be diverted into

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tourist interests have opened no dialogue. If they do, life in Ipswich could be

tive for retailers.

on a new lease of life

to operate a one-way system in the lanes leading to Flatford Mill and Willy Lot's which from one angle or another seems to have been the subject of every other painting by this artist.

an outstanding church flushwork decoration,

Notable stately

open to public

Ickworth and Hevening-ham Hall are other notable

stately homes open to the

public and the castles at Frankingham and Orford are

designated ancient morn-ments. Orford has the addi-tional attraction

best restaurants is Bildeston, where diners at the Bow Window can wast themselves before the flames in the mas-

open fireplace.

goal for gournets is Hintle-sham Hall, the starely home

turned into what must be Britain's grandest restau-rant by Robert Carrier, whose cuisine and wine list

almost if not quite match the scale of the architecture.
All those places are within

easy reach of Ipswich and

bine it with listening to music at Aldeburgh. Until

is no better tourist centre, perticularly if you like the sea and wish to com-

with this area is Thomas quaint patchwork of count-less villages built up over the centuries before planners were thought of. Cavendish, where a fine white wine is made, has a classic village near by but embelished by a stately home, Melford Hail,

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Digging out the past: the Russian Revolution | Fair game but not

Hammer and Sickle Thames (tonight)

Michael Church

I have just seen a preview of Hammer and Sickle in a cosy little Wardour Street cinema, and the conventional reviewer's clichés fail me.

I could argue that Neal Ascherson's well-intentioned commentary is sadily oversimplified, and that Paul Scotield's manicured tones are not the ideal vehicle for its delivery. I could maintain that nice Western actors, despite some reasonable stabs at impersonating Russian tyrants, quite fail to communicate the requisite awe and horror. I could suggest that Thames have got their recipe completely wrong and that, instead of flinging the lot at us at once, they might have split their material into several parts and proceeded at a more decorous and digestible pace. But these questions are a bit beside the point. Hammer and Sickle offers an unprecedented opportunity to see new archive film of earlier revolutionary

We see the exhilaration of the two 1917 revolutions, Kerensky, cheering crowds, Bolsheviks marching purposefully arm in arm, more crowds endlessly multiplying, brass bands, leaflets being scattered and little figures dashing about in the snow picking them up.



Brian Glover as Khruschchev

Scenes of work: gaunt being executed by firing squad. geois times. Some of the footmachine operators, peasants in Rain frozen rivers, unid. Men age is clandestine, some of it is the fields. Scenes of war: hag- and women shovelking. Men newsreel, and some is Soviet che fields. Scenes of war: haggard men bining up to go the
front. legiess men returning,
Russians embracing Germans,
Trotsky with generals, White
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Poor Russians. Their revolution, which was thrust on them, got the worst possible leaders and turned into one of history's great catastrophes. This dreadful film has the grace to ask whether the people's satrifice lar has in win.

Lois McDonall: never any doubts

Lois McDonall who tonight rings Euryanthe in the Eng-National Opera's new and unduly neglected opera, first came to England in 1970. Made bronchial by the dankness of the English autumn, she stayed at home on the evening of the first night of Semele, the Sadler's Wells production which she was due to appear in later in the season. Staved in later in the season. Stayed in, that is, until the pixone rang with the news that Elisabeth Harwood had been taken ill during the first act and that Miss McDonall had 10 minutes to be on stage. "I think there are still a few memories around of that never-to-be-forgotten night," she ruefully remarks.

Lois McDonall never seemed

Lois McDonall never seemed to have any doubts about what she wanted to be. "As far back as I can remember I have clways sung, always wanted to sing, and always had visions of sing, and always had visions of being on a stage somewhere. Eut a lot of things happened before I ever got on to a pro-fessional stage. At home in Canada I used to enter a lot of vocal competitions; but when I vocal competitions; but when I did eventually get to New York after winning the preliminary rounds in the national auditions which the Metropolitan Opera runs every year, I was already married with two children! I'd sung musicals like Oklahoma and Annie Get Your Gun, but I had no vision of what I was going to do with myself: and I'd no idea at all myself; and Pd no idea at all of what opera involved, absolu-

tely none. "I didn't win anything in Now York, but they gave me a long interview and told me that I ought to study opera. I eventually went to the Univer-sity of Toronto on a three-year course, graduating as the Queen of the Night! At first I think they expected me to be a a wonderful woman, someone dromatic soprano, which I'm you can never stereotype. Absonot. The only Wagner roles I lutely everything is there; and would contemplate are Eisa, I only hope that some day I'll Elisabeth, Eva and perhaps Sleglinde which I would like to do sometime; but never Isolde or Brünnhilde. Then I was called a dramatic coloratura, which probably makes more sense as I'm very fond of the music of Donizetti and Bellini -in fact my secret dream is to sing Donizetti's three queens, Sing Bontzett's interequents and Mary Queen of Scots, and I'm over the moon about the ENO's plans for a new production of Verdi's I duc Foscari—but I tend to see mysalf simply as a soprain."

Three years ago the ENO mance. You ask me if I have entrusted the role of the Mar-heard any great Marschallins—





Lois McDonall and Stefanos Lazaridis's design for her costume as Euryanthe

schallin in Strauss's Der Roson-kavalier to Lois McDonall.

"The Marschallin is the operatic role which I always wanted to do, the role which means most to me. She's such a wonderful woman, someone lutely everything is there; and I only hope that some day I'll be able to do the part justice. Perhaps life's experiences have helped me give something to the role. I could never have sung Sophie, beginning as late as I did. She's innocent, poor dear, and I'm not. In 20 years she will also be a Marschallin, ignored by her husband once she's discharged her social duty and produced a male heir.

"To prepare a role I go through the score, sometimes listening to a recording, though often I definitely don't

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well, I love the Crespin recording but before I took the role I thad never seen the opera on the stage and ultimately I do think you have to be your own person. If you yourself don't have anything to give, then it's hopeless. Nowadays people smile rather when you mention Method acting but I don't think it's all that horrible. If you're supposed to be a tree then you have got to believe you're a tree! Creating a role is like giving birth; it can be very difficult."

And what of Euryanthe and its good but troubled heroine?

"I think it's going to be very good soprano, its visions, its

"I think it's going to be very exciting if we can bring to life the ideas which are being pre-sented to us; there's no doubt-ing their dramatic intensity. Euryanthe herself is really one of life's good people. There is not a vindictive bone in her body. She has been raised as a chaste young woman in a con-vent. To understand the opera

mature work of set and a more advanced development of Wagnerian music-drams than Lohengrin. "It is certainly very similar to Lohengrin with its king, its bad baritone and bad mezzo, good tenor and good soprano, its visions, its betrayais. Personally, I adore singing Elsa, but Euryanthe is full of wonderful music, difficult to sing, but very highly cult to sing, but very highly charged emotionally. As an opera it is very real, very viable. I think it could be a

Richard Osborne

fair play

a line in Satanic temptation

(though still apparently selling

The instrument of exposure

words, which seem intended to proclaim the arrival of the real

world. In any case, by deflating Polydor she also snaps the play's mainspring.

It is a glib defeated comedy in a coldly self-admiring style that proclaims the author's superiority to his characters. With the exception of the wife, they are lifeless stereotypes equipped with dialogue that serves to flash cultural vefer.

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ences like credit cards while inviting laughs at the speakers

age and a tower block on the

Russell Brown so tricks up the staging with lights and silly business, including a musical mock typewriter, that Mr Grant is in danger of being accused of playing a trained bear.

His face is often buried in

shadows, his voice has to com-pete with recorded drums and

the sound of weves breaking on the shore. Mr Brown further

plunges the stage into dark-ness, so that we know we are coming to different sections of the poem and so we shall not have to depend on the spoken

there he could contribute a rouch of extractive lyrical phrasing, our his chief energies

seemed to be devoted, not altogether successfully, to attaining a reasonable mani-

The Spring Sonem, a fairly early work, needs vitality. The much latter Op 96 responds better to pensive, reflective playing; and something of the former Kempff poetry was to be detected in the spacious theme that rounds off the first movement exposition and in the Adagio. There were, in fact, things to enjoy here, pethaps sufficient to offset any unsteadiness and insecurity. Mr Merubin, once again committed to the driving ceat, could rarely permit thimself a moment of relaxation lest, it seemed, the music showed to a halt.

The strain told, on his bowing, which was liable to become choppy, and occasionally on his intomation; and it must be said, too, that Mr Kempff was something well short of note-perfect. The Krenzer tested both: it lacked fire, clarity (Mr Kempff

The Kremzer tested both: It lacked five, clarity (Mr Kempff loves his right pedal) and true mutual responsiveness as well as accuracy. Both played sweetly and warmly in their encore, the Adagio of Op 30, No 1.

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The Sunset Touch Bristol Old Vic

Irving Wardle

The Church of England is fair game for any comic writer, but it might have been spared the knowing sneers Jonathan Raban ters the clossaced amosphere with a string of four properties. Mr Raban's hero is a Wandsworth vicar whose church has

been demolished to make way for a flyover and who spends his days smugly lamenting the decline of traditional values, as evidenced in the present state of The Times crossword and his daughter's degree from Hull University. Enter an irrepressible young encyclopaedia salesman who penetrates the vicar's defences with a gift for conversing in crossword clues, and an obsession with Albert Schweitzer, and who moves into the vicarage to bed the virgin daughter and transport Lam-barene to Wandsworth,

I think the play is about transformation and the need transformation and the need to translate ideas into action. But if so, it founders on the author's manifest lack of confidence in every fresh incident he introduces. Act II may find the vicar in mod gear planning therapy groups and outings for battered wives on a tactical map of the parish: but he still subsides into cracks about Hull, and his new mask is simply the with it vicar routine passed off as a character development.

1 Polydor, the salesman, starts

Polydor, the salesman, starts off as a rogue intellectual with

Return To My Native

Land Theatre Upstairs

Ned Chaillet

There are ideas, however attractive at first thought, that do not necessarily need to be staged, and, unfortunately, Return To My Native Land is one, Aimé Césaire's long poem is evocative and thoughtful, touching on human sapiration far beyond the scale of its specific concerns with Césaire's native land, Martinique. It is they, not lights, not sound effects, not restless roaming around the stage, that couvey the meaning. Towards the end of the hour and 20-minute programme note saying it is, recitation Mr Grant steps for and the production proves it.

Cy Grant, an imposing black about what makes up "a very actor, is given the task of spood nigger". He is then speaking Césaire's words, some descripcive, some intensely personel, which discuss negritude and pride. "I want to rediscover the secret of great speech", he says, and plays with plain words. "A man who the performence. touching on human aspiration

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the performance. The lyrical translation is by John Berger and Anna Bostock.

Menuhin/Kempff

Festival Hall

Stanley Sadie

interesting and unpredictable things are always apt to happen Menuhin and Withelm Kempff have often played together. But they remain individuals, not a team. Each says what he has to say; and sometimes their language seems to differ. .

Well and good, as long as Beenhoven does not suffer. But methoren does not suffer. Bur on Monday they occasionally appeared to contradict each other in their mild and peaceable way. Mr Kempff was always a gentle, rominative player, and nowadays more than ever he likes to be permitted to indulge his affection for the music. Mr Menuhin's affection manifests itself differently.

In the Spring Sonata Mr Kempff was soft and autumnal; Mr Menuhin did what he could to prevent undue dewiling but the burden of maintaining the momentum, single-handed, proved too much. Here and

Britten Celebration Queen Elizabeth Hall

William Mann Benjamin Britten's last complete composition was a Welcome Ode for the Queen's silver jubilee visit to Ipswich. It reached London on Monday when the choir and orchestra of Pintico School, under Roderick Spencer, performed it at the Spencer, performed it at the start of a Britten Celebration concert designed to benefit the new music school at Snape.

The Welcome Ode, properly The Welcome Ode, properly jubilant and entertaining, is also somewhat retruspective. The title looks back to Britten's idol Porcell; the sung rexts date from the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. The opening March, with braying brass and noisy thuds for percussion, strongly recalls the more extrovert sections of Britten's Spring Symphony, written 2 quarter-Symphony, written a quarter-century earlier, as do its symmetrical melodic phrases; equally typical is the flexible metre, the fours and sixes breaking often into sevens which keep young musicians on their toes.

New opera singers' award

osity of an anonymous private donor, to assist young singers appearing with Glyndebourne Touring Opera to further their studies. At the close of the 1977 Tour, it is announced that making the studies of the studies of the studies of the studies of the studies. At the close of the studies of

Pinnico boys and girls, and all of us, including Peter Pears off-stage reciting the words of God. the first recipient of the Glyndebourne Touring Opera Singers' Award is the 25 year A new award has been old soprano Helen Walker, in her second year as a chorister and understudy with Glynde-

cantesta ends the tale of Brit-ten's music, preoccupied as it often was with the darker aspects of human existence. In the same programme Wands-worth School Choir sang the Children's Crusade, a whote tragedy winten for them, as advanced in language as any-thing in Britten. Reassuringly the concert ended with a fully spaced, invisorating perform-

staged, invigorating performance of Noye's Fludde by the

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yester-

Mitchell Prize for History of Art

The first award of the Mitchell Prize for the History of Art was amounced yesterday at a reception at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York. The then switches into a would be St Francis of the Tower blacks recipient is Francis Haskell, the British art historian, for his beok Rediscoveries in Art: encyclopaedias) before being exposed as a runaway primary school teacher. some Aspects of Taste, Fashion and Collecting in England and France (Phaidon Press, 1976. §8.50). The book is concerned with the period 1780-1880.

Francis Haskell is Professor

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inviring laughs at the speakers' expense. The gags arise out of self-incriminating turns of phrase rather than from interplay of character. While the play satirizes their detachment from reality it is engaged in the same artificiality.

David Buck as the intruder curies off the first act with brazen energy and some sense of mystery; Marty Cruickshank and Angus Mackay duly enact their clerical stereotypes with manalizing hints of how they might have developed. Eric Thompson's production is furnished with an ingentiously foreshortened set by John Elvery, which manages to accommodate the whole vicarage and a tower block on the SADLER'S WELLS THEATRE. Rosebery Ave., E.C.1. 857 1672. Opens Tonight. HANDEL OPERA
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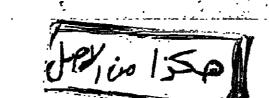
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time.

Twice in that span, Manchester City, a mere shadow of the side which toppled the champions Liverpool on Saturday, were neatly pulled aside. Only a cool head and the morest touch was needed on each occasion, yet Luten could find neither.

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Then after the final whistle had blown, Millwall's Donaldson, who

was cautioned earlier for a foul, was shown the red card for dissent. Earlier, Millwall's captain, Kitchener and McIlwaith had also

Kitchener and McIlwraith had also been caudoned after a midfield scuffie. Bury won this ill-tempered batele with goals by Robins, who has now scored in their last four League Cup matches, and Rowland. Robins gave Bury a forty-eighth minute lead after a lifelyees first half and Rowland scaled matters

Rioch returns

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could not agree terms.

Rioch, the captain of Scotland, signed for £150,000 after visiting his new mean manager, Tommy Docherty in hospital. Mr Docherty is confined to bed with a virus infection. Ironically, Rioch's first game for Derby is against Everton at the Baseball Ground on Saturday.

Ground on Saturday.

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Britain may be left with only three

By Norman Fox
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Only one British club can go into
today's Europen club competitions
with absolete assurance. Appropriately, Liverpool, the European
champions, have what seems an
unassailable 5—1 lead over
Dinamo, of Dresden, in the European
Cup, but the others are
either defending slight advantages
or are in danger of elimination,
none more so than Manchester
United with four goals to haul
back against Porso at Old Trafford.

United with four goals to haul back against Porto at Old Trafford.

Celtic, in the European Cup, and Aston Villa, in the Uefa Cup, should go forward to the third round, though not with ease, but there are justifiable fears for Glentoran, Ipswich Town and Newcastle United as well as Manchester United. Glentoran, the comparatively small champions of Northern Ireland, have the most formidable task of all, going to Juvenns, in Italy, already a goal down. Yet losing by only 1—0 in the first leg was a hrave performance agains the beart of the Italian national team.

For the majority, these European matches offer a chance to look beyond domestic disapointments. Even Celtic are nearer the bottom that the top of their League and have won only one away game. They play SSW Innsbruck in Salzburg with a slender 2—1 lead and one must reflect that their form since the sale of Dalglish to Liverpool is reminiscent of Ajar's deterioration after they released Cruyff.

Celtic can be encouraged, then, by Ajar's reemergence as one of the European Cup favourities. Borussia Möchen Gladbach, who were Liverpool's opponents in last season's final, are also now showing brighter play and hold a three-goal lead over Rer Star, of Beigrade. Liverpool's challenge this time comes from a broader base.

After three successive deleate in which they have conceded 10

After three successive defeats in which they have conceded 10 goals, Mauchester United are one of the teams needing a fillip.
Their Cup Winners' Cup second
leg against Porto is unlikely to
provide it in full, although their
—I deficit could be reduced. In Portugal, Porto were superb when moving forward.

Duda, a Brazilian, scored three goals and Oliveira and Seminho



Brian Greenhoff (left) is missing for Manchester United but McDermott is recalled by Liverpool.

were breathaking in their speed and close control. Their defenders were not as impressive but had no need to be. If Porto set out to attack tonight, there will be a feast of goals and entertainment. If United are to survive they will need to tighten their defence and create many more chances than in Portugal.

in Portugal.

United's task was made even more formidable yesterday when both Erian Greenhoff and Macari were ruled our after training. If United score early, there could be a contest, but an outright victory would be staggering, even by their own fine European achievements.

The match of the round in the Cup Winners' Cup should be in Belgium where the holders, Hamburg, play the team they best Belgium where the holders, Hamburg, play the team they beat in last season's final, Anderlecht, who took a surprising 2—I lead in Germany last modth. Since then, Hamburg have dismissed their general manager, Peter Krohn, and there have been other managerial changes in the last few days.

Ipewich Town have found a place in the winter sunshine by place is the winter sunshine by flying to Las Palmas for their Uefa Cup tie but the Spanish League team are unbeaten at home this season and lost by only 1—0 at Ipawich. The heat is on Ipswich in several ways and they may well lose their lead. Las Palmas lost 5—0 to Barcelom at the weekend but their manager said that that was expected and had no bearing on tonight's game.

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A 4—4 draw at Everton last
Saturday lightened Newcastle's
wretched start to the season. They
qualified for the Uefa Cup by
finishing fifth in the first division
last season but are now bottom.
They lost 2—1 to Bastia in Corsica in the first leg and will have
to play above their average form
this season if they are to hold
the Bastia forwards, including a
Dutch international, Rep. They
may start with the additional disadvantage of being without Cassidy in midfield, and Blackley is
ineligible.

No room for the Anfield architect

From John Hennessy Dresden, Nov 1
John Toshack, the architect of
Liverpool's stumming 5—1 victory
over Dynamo Dresden in the first
leg of the European Cup a fortnight ago, is unlikely to be chosen
for the second leg here tomorrow.
This is the frontical consequence of
his having, through his extraordinary power in the air, put the tie
virtually beyond East German
reach.

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Tacrics are dicated by svents and, with such an unexpectedly sparerous balance in the bank. Liverpool will act on the principle of what we have we hold. It is truel luck on Toshack, but once the decision was taken to string four men across the middle of the field, there is simply no place for the Welsh international.

The requirement, rather, is for two fast movers and here Toshack is clearly at a disadvantage. Dalgish will be there to punish any Dresden failings in defence at the side of either Heighway or Fairclough, or possibly both, at different periods of the march. Heigh-

way, of course, is the first choice and his only doubt is a nagging leg injury. Fairclough, on the other hand, can be a fair handful on occasions like this and if there are any doubts about Heighway's litness, either before the start or at the match progresses, Liverpool need have no qualms about pushing Fairclough on in his place.

The four to damp down the dyosmo in the middle will be Callaghan, Kannedy, Case and McDermott, who thus earns a place because of Toshack's tour ds force at Anfield. The now trusty gathering of Jones, Hughes, Hansen and Neal will be protect. rrusty gathering of Jones, Hughes, Hansen and Neal will be protecting Clemence further back. If all this sounds lacking in a spirit of adventure, a recipe perhaps for a low-acoring match, one canhardly criticize Liverpooi, the holders of the trophy, for taking the hard-headed view that no team in the world, let alone in East Germany, can put four goals past their team, but we see among the array of possible players the names of Hifner and Schade, who had the skill too late in the day at Antield. They will hope for better things morrow and particularly that their companions in defence will show rather less fragility than their vaunted china.

Aston Villa plump for attacking policy

From Arthur Osman Katowice, Nov 1 Katowice, Nov 1

Asson Villa's task against Gornik Zabrze today in their small,
donestic stadium and not as expected, the narioual arena in
Katowice, has been made harder
by Poland's sound progress imo
the World Cup. The drawn game
against Portugal at the weekend
has led to a quickening of the
pulse and a lift to the spirits
especially in this part of Silesia
an area that has contributed much
to the national game over the
years, although less so of late.
Villa's two goal lead in the first

Villa's two goal lead in the first leg of this second round Uefa Cup rie, positive though it was, nevertheless left a cautionary feeling in the air that the two further goals that could so easily have gone in. but eluded Villa's have gone in, but eluded Villa's forwards, would be an important feature here. So it has proved with the resurgence of pride, a quality not notably present a forther harrier for Villa to surmount. Ron Saunders, the Villa manager, said on arrival in Poland today, with a determined, full strength and unchanged team, that a counter to this was Villa's own buoyancy after being un-

Today's fixtures

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European Cup Winners Cup

Second round, second leg Marchester United v I C Porto (7.30). Uela Cup

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beaten in their last seven games. He saw absolutely no reason to fall back in a defensive posture to protect the hard-won lead and, indeed, saw such a policy as carrying the seeds of defeat. He has therefore distarded any notion of playing an extra man in midfield, and will rely on Villa's proven strength in such situations, meaning an attacking policy from the outset, the object being a quick goal to confound Gornik even more.

There are no worries about Cropley and Mortimer in the midfield, the former particularly having found startling form lately and Gornik have good cause to remember his authority in the first leg. It is to be hoped the confidence is there.

Together the second of the day.

As for Gray, his form and contribution to Villa's improvement is shining like purest gold. He has now fully recovered from a beck injury, and has reasserted himself by scoring 11 goals in the last 13 games. He will be looking for more today against a Gornik defence and, at times, could be exploited with quick breaks. More goals for Gray Could mean a passage to Argentiva with Scodabot.

With their own chef and food imported to fortify the inner man, Villa should have the ability to confidence is there.

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After such a good rup as his in the last 18 months the lean days were bound to come. It is to be hoped he will find the solution here in the sad, flat, mist-shrouded lands of southern Poland, where the myriad candles lit for All Saints' Day bring such confort to the population.

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Riches given to those who are already rich

Tennis Correspondent Palm Springs, Nov 1 On the eve of the tennis champronchips, sponsored by Colgate, in which 13 women will play for

From Rex Bellamy

which 13 women will play for \$143,000, there was a prize-giving ceremony that served as a further reminder of the astonishing sums the leading professionals are amassing. Those 13 players received their shares of the £343,000 bonus pool distributed among the most successful players in the series (there are 25 singles awards and 20 doubles awards). Christing Evert was handed a cheque for £57,000.

The extraordinary thing is that The extraordinary thing is that no one had to hit a ball in order to quality for a bonus. The payments were merely additional recognition of the matches

atready won and cheques already banked. The idea of the bonus pool is to encourage players to compete consistently in the series sponsored by Colgate (women had sponsored by Colgate (women had to play in at least six of the 24 tournaments in order to become eligible for a bonus).

But tournament prize money, together with the prospect of gaining places in these climactic championships, should be incendive enough. There is something a bonus system. enough. There is something unhealthy about a bonus system that simply makes the rich richer. The same thing happens in the men's grand prix. The sponsors are not to blame, except in the sense that they agree to put up the money. The bonus system is inflicted on them by the international councils who run professional tennils.

But women's remais has provided

buy happiness. Linky Boshoff, of I'm not enjoying it and I knew South Africa, who is playing I had to make a decision. It's doubles here, has decided to retire from full-time tennis two months money. But the thing is to be doubles here, has decided to retire from full-time remis two months hence in order to study at the University of Port Elizabeth. She intends to play as many big tournaments as she can lit into the academic calendar and when ber studies have been completed she will still be young emough to resume full-time tenms if she wants to. Miss Boshoff is a week short of her 21st birthday.

"I'm tired of tennis", she said today. "The money's a funny thing. When I started, I didn't care about it. But after a year or two, you start earning money sense that they agree to put up the money. The bonus system is inflicted on them by the international councils who run professional tennis.

But after a year or two, you start earning money and it's great and you wonder how much you can make. You get lime a run and it's hard to get lime a run and it's hard to get a lot of it. But I think there are a lot of players on the women's tenning money does not tour who are not really happy.

One of the four doubles teams here will win two matches and thus earn £8,500 each. The singles winner will collect £43,000. The eight singles players will compete in two groups during the next four evenings, the most successful in each group qualifying for Saturday's final.

Virginia Wade, the Wimbledon champion, will play Martina Navratiova, Miss Evert and Diame Fromboltz in turn. Billy Jean King, who has bounced back to prominence by winning three successive tournaments must be favoured to win the other group. Her opponents will be Wendy Turnbuil, Kerry Reld and Berry Stove. One of the four doubles teams

Rugby Union

England U-23 man in Middlesex side

against Dorset and Wilts at High Wycombe. In the only other change McCrindle comes in for the mavailable Sharpe in the back under-23 standoff half from Bath, makes his first appearance for makes his first appearance for Middlesex against Eastera Counties at Richmond today. Palmer, who is a student at St Mary's College, Twickenham, comes in for an injured Scottish international, Wilson. Middlesex, runners-up to Lancashire last year, make two other changes: David Cooke, of Harlequins, comes in on the flank in place of Mordell, of Rosslyn Park, who is resting his injured back, and Ripley returns at No 8 in place of Bowring.

Steele, the Scottish international

at No 8 in place of Bowring.

Steele, the Scottish international and British Lions wing, makes his first appearance for Oxfordshire against Berkshire at Newbury today. Steele is now stationed at RAF Benson. Another newcomer is Dunn, a prop who has played for Durham. Oxfordshire are further strengthened by the return of their captain, Jackson, at No 8, and Mawle, a lock. They were needed by their club, Bedford, and missed the county's win over Dorset and Wilts.

Marlow's goal kicking stand-off half, Hammond, has been recalled by Buckinghamshire for their county championship match

Phillips is forgiven and

regains his place

Sanacens have forgiven Malcolm wards. Condon, a stand-off half Phillips. They dropped him against and White, a prop, who missed last Leicester last Saturday for missing week's match against London training but he has been chosen Scottish because of provincial again at full back for the match rugby in Ireland, also return. Howagainst London Irish at Sunbury tills weekend.

Tony Smith, a reserve full back who nook Phillips's place and scored a try in the 19—19 draw scored a try in the 19—19 draw with Leicester, is unlucky to lose his place. Saracens will be happy to see the return of Cadle on the right wing. Whitefield moves over to the left and Bennett, an England 19-group trialist, is omitted. In the pack, McGregor is back at prop and Morris plays at lock because Holden is unavailable.

Molloy returns from holiday or

Molloy returns from holiday to strengthen the London Irish for-Cricket

ne-sled on each occasion, yet Lutrn could find neither.
Heale's miss in the last breath before extra time was needed, was incredible. Ron Futcher, clear to the right of goal, shot hard; Corrigan knocked the ball aside, but straight to Heale, unchallenged and barely a couple of strides from an empty net. It was infinitely more difficult to miss than score, but somehow the ball skidded off his boot and plopped gently past the post.
Husband had earlier erred almost as unhappity. Fuccillo and Heale had opened up the Manchester defence along the left, leaving Husband facing only Corrigan. He chose the difficult route and strewed his shot wide of the far post.

Manchester City will find little on which to reflect with satisfaction other than the toll of Hartford and the skiful wing play of young Barnes, desperately looking for someone to respond to his dexterity. Here, at least, was one City player with the accomplishment to tease and test the sound Luton defenders. It was Barnes who called on Aleksic to make one of his best saves.
The goalkeeper just managed to get his fingertips to a fine rising shot after Channon's effort had cannoned off him.
Barnes had managed to get the ball in the net in the opening half, but the substitute referee ruled offside. Mr Phipps had taken over from Mr R. Kirkpatrick, whose bounding stride was suddenly curbed by an askie injury after it minutes. He spent the rest of the first half on the treatment unble and did not return.

Royle perhaps bad Manchester's best chance after an hour but litted his chot a couple of yards too bigh. It was another reflection of the crucial errors of the night.

MANCHESTER CTY: J. Corresan. R. Centagn. W. Doute, M. Doyle, T. Booth, B. Med. P. Bernet, M. imitators of Packer By Philip Webster

By Philip Webster

The possibility of imitators of Kerry Packer's cricket series arriving on the scene was a factor which led the International Cricket Conference to impose its proposed Test manch has on Packer players, Mr Michael Kempster, QC, said in the Righ Court yesterday.

Continuing his closing address for the defendants, the ICC and the Test and Courty Cricket Board (TCCB) in the Packer case, Mr Kempster said that, in "amending their rules "on July 26, the ICC had properly taken into account their long term rosponsibility for Test match cricket and, implicitly, for cricket at other levels.

"They had to take action that

Bury 2 Miliwall 6
Kevin McNally sent off three players as this Longue Cup third round replay boiled over in the dying seconds at Gigg Lane. Bury's captain Hatton and Seasman of Miliwall were dismissed for fighting in the last minute. ponsibility for Test match cricket and, implicitly, for cricket at other levels.

"They had to take action that would preserve the game indefinitely in circumstances where World Series Cricket might well have found iminitors", he said. The indefatigable Mr Kempster, who spoke throughout the 27th day of the case and showed no signs of calling a halt, said that successful Test match cricket was vital for the maintenance of the game at all levels.

From the ICC's point of view, the most important period of the year was the English winter during which time, for example, an England team might be in India, Pakistan or New Zealand, and a West Indies team might be in India, It was during this period that Mr Parkers had choose a Vest Indies team might be in Australia. It was during this period that Mr Packer had chosen to arrange his fixtures. As a result, in the months ahead, Australia would be fielding against India a team greatly reduced in strength and the West Indies team, scheduled to go to India in 1978-79, and the England and Australia

teams to play in Australia at that time would also be greatly reduced in strength and attraction.

Mr Kempster said the ICC felt that if the Packer players were permitted to make themselves svailable, they would be doing no more than enhancing their reputations and skills for the financial advantage of an organization which—apart from a cosching scheme for schoolboys in New South Wales—was contributing nothing to the game overall. Referring to the game overall. Referring to the TCCB's proposed ben, Mr Kempster told Mr Justice Slade that if he were to find that the restrictions imposed by the ICC were an unreasonable restraint of trade, "we would not expect you to uphold the proposals of the TCCB."

The TCCB's first consideration

Blomquist comes in because the

first and second choice full backs. Barton (Winchester) and Piercey (United Services), are both in-

jured. Turner, who started the

last match against Hertfordshire

at centre before going off injured, is now away at sea and yields his

place to Walters.

Despite their 12-7 defeat by
Yorkshire in the Roses clash last

Yorkshire in the Roses clash last Saturday, the county champions, Lancashire, have made only one change for their home match with Cheshire at Manchester on Saturday. Briers is reculled in place of the England Under 23 wing. Carleton, of Orrell. Yorkshire have a one point lead over Cheshire, Lancashire, and Northumberland in one of the tightest northern battles for years.

rugby in Ireland, also return. However the eailes lose Alistair McKibbin and Niall Hogan to the Irish provinces. McKibbin appears for Ulster and Hogan for Connaught. Short plays his first senior game at No B and Donovan takes McKibbin's place in the benure.

The TCCB's first consideration had been the proven interdependence of Test and first class cricket, had been the proven interdependence of Test and first class cricket, he said. It was significant that even if they were precluded from playing for counties, cricketers who, in the other half of the year could be earning substantial sums in "disapproved matches" in Australia, could still expect to receive respectable, if not equivalent, earnings in league cricket during the English season.

Mr Kempster, referring to the effect of the TCCB's proposals on individual players, said it would be wrong to indicate any approach that might be taken by the TCCB to particular applications. However, in the proposed amendments to the TCCB's qualification rules, the words "subject to the overriding discretion of the board" appeared. The TCCB had given themselves a facility for dealing with particular cases should they think it appropriate.

India omit key players for first tour match good day's cricket ", he said. " In that game we had to abandon the game after only seven overs because of rain, but we don't expect that problem tomorrow. It's been wet over the past couple of days, but the clouds have gone and we're expecing a fine day." INDIA: B. Bedi (caplain). D. Vengariar. C. Chauhan, G. Vishwanath, S. Amernath, M. Amernath, B. Patel, S. Kirmoni, S. Vonkalizaghavun, K. Chauhan, G. Vishwanath, S. Amernath, B. Bedi (caplain). D. Vengariar. C. Chauhan, G. Vishwanath, S. Amernath, B. Patel, S. Kirmani, S. Vonkalizaghavan, K. Charvi, S. Kirmani, S. Vonkalizaghavan, K. Charvi, S. Kirmani, S. Vonkalizaghavan, K. Charvi, S. Madan Lil. Twelfin man: B. Harvey,—Rouler.

Bruce Rioch rejoined his forme: club Derby County yesterday but Evertou's hopes of a successful double deal stumbled because Trevor Ross, Arsenal's Scottish under-21 international, could not agree terms. Adelaide, Nov 1.—The Indian cricket selectors have left their opening bassman Sunil Gavaskar and spin bowlers Erapalli Prasanna and Bhagwat Chandrasekhar out of the side for the first match of their Australian tour tomorrow. The trio, all of whom are expected to play a big part for India during the tour, will watch the one-day match against a South Australian country XI at Port Lincoln. Australian country XI at Port Lincoln.

Instead the Indians have named their three fast bowlers, Karsan Ghavri, Mohinder Amaruath and Madan Lal in addition to their captain Bisben Bedi and Srinivas Venkstaraghavan, widely regarded as the best leg spin bowler in the world. The Indians were again furced to practise indoors here to the best leg spin bowler in the world. torted to practise indoors here today because of wet weather, but better things are forecast for tomorrow. The secretary of the Port Lincoln Cricket Association, Reg Merchant, said the Centenary Oval site was in perfect condition and a big crowd was expected.

Geoffrey Boycott's re-election as Yorkshire captain, for what will be his eighth season, is expected to be decided at a meeting of the County Club committee on Thursday of next week. A call for a change in the captaincy was made recently by Don Brennan, a former Yorkshire and England wicketkeeper who is a member of the committee. pected.

"The players are keen to go, and as long as we don't have a repeat of the game against MCC in Raymaw 50; boat Tasmanta 147 and four years ago, it should be a story of the committee.

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Boycott reelection

Boxing

Minter is tired of being promised the world Alan Minter, the former Euro-

pean middleweight champion and challenger for Kevin Finnegan's British title at Wembley next Tuesday, yesterday threatened to retire if he wins but still misses out on the world championship bout that has been promised to the winner.

Minter, aged 25, said: "I've been through all this before. I was supposed to have a shot at the world title this year when I was European champion and I'm still waiting. I'm sick of all the promises. Now they are saying there is a world title fight for the winner next week. This time they had better come up with it. If I win on Tuesday and do not see some pretty quick signs, then I'm retiring." Douglas Bidwell, his manager, supported him. "Either they produce or let them stop promisang", he said. "This time they will have to deliver or Aian may very well do what he says."

Minter winds up the most lucrative year of his career on Tuesday and his percentage of the gate could amount to £25,000. But the result of this bout is more important than the money. After his defeat by Gratien Tonna, Minter needs to make a good impression if he is to make progress in the world ranks.

Mr Bidwell said: "If he makes the same mistakes as last time it will be a very tough fight indeed, though I think he will still win. If he holds on to his boxing when Finnegan puts the pressure on it will be no race. In the past Finnegan has cashed in on Alan's mistakes. We have drummed this mto him and I don't think it will happen again."

Minter has had a mixed year.

He won and lost the European title, in contests abroad. He beat Emil Griffiths, also abroad, and lost to an American, Romnie Harris, because of a cut mouth.

Cycling

GRENOBLE: Six-day race: Standa title, in contests abroad. A Magazine of Griffiths, also abroad, and lost to an American, Romnie Harris, because of a cut mouth.

Third win of tour for uninspired All Blacks

French Selection 6 All Blacks 12 The Aldershot Services full back, Blomquist, and the United Ser-vices, Portsmouth centre, Walters, will make their first appearances Perpiguan, Nov 1.—Brian Mc-Kechnie made a finc first appearance at stand-off half for the All Blacks here today, scoring eight points in their victory over a Southern France Selection. They for Hampshire against Sussex at Bognor Regis. won by a goal and two dropped goals to a penalty and a dropped

won by a goal and two dropped goals to a penalty and a dropped goal.

It was the third win in three matches for the All Blacks, who were given an easier time than against Lyons last Saturday when they scraped home by just two points. The New Zealanders were far stronger today than their opponents in the lineouts and mauls, but their game lacked variety and they were let down by poor handling.

The All Blacks opened the scoring with a try by Stuart Wilson in the thirty-fifth minute after a more verted. McKechnie added three more points with a drop goal in the thirty-eighth minute, but the French Selection replied a minute later with a drop goal by their the thirty-eighth minute, but the French Selection replied a minute later with a drop goal by their the home team reduced the arguments.

national against France—winners of last season's five-nations championship—at Toulouse on November 11.

New XSALAND: H. C. Williams: B. W. Cohorn. M. Tavier, B. Jorn. B. W. Cohorn. M. Tavier, B. Jorn. B. W. Cohorn. C. J. Aghworth, R. Johnstone J. Blac. J. Aghworth, R. Johnstone J. Blac. J. Aghworth, R. Scrward, A. M. Haden, R. Evrologh, L. Knight, R. Myers. R. Evrologh, L. Knight, R. Myers. G. Portal: D. Bustaffa, T. Verlos, G. Fodorniou, G. Bustaffa, T. Verlos, G. Fodorniou, G. Proceso, P. Britaine, J. C. Ballatore, J. Goze, B. Ballatie, A. Momiliur, G. Soissot, R. OChia,—Agence France-Presse.

takes McKibbin's place in the tenure.

Roger Shackleton, Richmond's captain, who has been out of action for three weeks with an actifiles tendon injury, returns to lead the side against Llanelli at Stradey Park. He takes over from Manfield at centre in one of two changes from that side that drew with Rosslyn Park.

ICC took action to prevent | Britain call for more

Athletics

drug controls Britain wants the Europead Attlictic Association to help stap up the fight against drug-taiding. Robert Stinson, secretary of the British Amateur Athletic Board, said yesterday that he would try and persuade the EAA to call for doping controls at any meeting in the association's calerdar, which included all international fixtures between European countries and individual national championships.

The British resolution, to be proposed at Friday's meeting of the EAA congress at Seville, also called for dope testing to be supervised by any appropriate nominee of the EAA. My Stinson said that the idea beliand the resolution was to schieve uniformity in the application of the personal parts and that confication of the service uniformity in the application of the service.

ity in the application of the tests try in the application of the fests throughout Europe, a greater frequency in testing, and to give confidence to all that the rules were being properly and fairly enforced throughout the continent.

Mr Stinson said it was possible Mr Stinson said it was possible already for any country to be called on to carry out tests under the International Amateur Athletic Federation rules. He pointed out that Britain had held a test at the last international athletes' clubs invitrion meeting after receiving a request. clubs invitation meeting efter receiving a request.
Britain were keen that this principle should be extended as there were still some countries with a questionable attitude to drug-taking. "The sooner we get these tests held sverywhere and a lot more frequently, the sooner we shall kill this anabolic steroid menace", Mr Stinson said.

Gymnastics 1 4 1

Huge demand to watch Miss Korbut's farewell

Olga Korbut will be making her farewell appearance before retiring from gymnastics when sha performs with a Soviet delegation at the Empire Pool, Wembley, during four days of gymnastics and acrobatic displays between November 10 and 13. The Russians have agreed to give two extra performances to meet the huge demand for seats.

The Russian party of 60 men and women have no fewer than 23 Olympic medals, six World Cup medals and 22 world champing-ship medals between them. In this year's visit the Russians will given seven displays over the four days—the largest number performed by the Soviet Union at one place. The original arrargements were for five performances with 40,000 tickets available but when the demand for seats exceeded 100,000, the Russians readily agreed to give two further matinee performances. Olga Korbut will be making her

readily agreed to give two further matinee performances.

Golf

Watson heads prize list

Washington, Nov 1.—Tom Watson was the top money winner on the United States golf tour this year with earnings of \$310,653, the Professional Golfers' Association reported today. Jack Nicklaus was second S284.509.

Last week's Pensacola Open was the final individual event this year. Watson, aged 28, won four tournaments, including the Masters, and Nicklaus, aged 37, won three. Peter Oosterhuis, of Reitain was Efficieth on the Maswon lines. Peter Costernius, or Britain, was fiftieth on the list with \$60,083, and his compatriot, Tony Jacklin, was eighty-third with \$29,725.—Reuter.

Tennis

PARIS: Open tournament: First round: B. Goldfried best P. Szoke, 6-1, 6-2; R. Lutz best B. Witton. 6-3, 6-4; M. Cox best G. Coven, 6-1, 6-3; L. Eirstroem bout A. Chombart, 6-4, 6-4; C. Svitzan best B. Phillipp-Moore, 6-5, 6-1; E. Cavelis best W. Martin. 7-6.

Cycling

SPORT. Racing

Rodman should cut down Slasher

Racing Correspondent Racing Correspondent

Fred Winter has not been in
any hurry to race his horses this
autumn simply because of the
firm ground in so many areas.
The rain has come at long last,
however, and at Lingfield Park
on Monday life began to look
up for the master of Uplands
when he landed a double.

I will not be computed surprised

when he landed a double.

I will not be remotely surprised if he wins two more races at Newbury today with Rodman (1.0) and Valiant Charger (2.30). Rodman has never run under National Hunt rules, but watching him win on the flat at Saudown Park and Bath earlier this summer and hearing about his other victory at Nottingham I form the impression that he would be just the type to excel at hurdling. He is my selection for the first division of the Cold Ash Novices' Hurdle, Slasher ran well at Ascot a week ago when he finished second to Hopeful Story, but I will be both surprised and diswill be both surprised and dis-appointed if a horse of Rodman's cope cannot beat him now. Valiant Charger would appear to have a harder task in the Bagnor Hurdle. Crown Matri-monial, Master Smudge, Regent's Garden and Winslow Boy all had good performances to their credit last winter. But so did Vallant Charger, who was successful at Ascot, Kempton Park, Wincanton

Bagnor Hurdle was won by that redoubtable individual, Grand Canyon. Valiant Charger is not cast in the same mould, but he may still be capable of rising to the occasion this opposition.

His rider, John Francome, should have another good ride in the Liouel Vick Memorial In the Houel Vick Memorial Handicap Steeplechase on Stubilick, who has always impressed me as a budding stayer. But in this instance no one ought to be surprised if Stublick is unable to heat Vulabaloo, who won the Courage Brewery Handicap Steeplechase at Stratford-on-Avon recently.

On that occasion Vulabaloo beat the useful, Colonel Mustard. Vula-baloo was trained in Ireland last season when he was runner-up on two occasions to Fort Fox and Bonnow Rambler, both good steeplechasers.

steeplechasers,

The lother steeplechase today, the Marsh Benham Handicap Steeplechase, will be won, I hope, by Lean Forward, who did not run at all badly at the last meeting even though he did finish last eventually behind Fort Devon. With that race under his beit Lean Forward could easily be too sharp for both Lord Browndodd and Havest. No Defence has been penalized for his walkover at Sandown Park

was nothing out of the ordinary.
Midsummer Lad—a winner at
Kempton Park, Ascot and San
down Park last season—looks the
likely winner of the Seven Barrows Handicap Hurdle, which has not been sponsored by the master of Seven Barrows contrary to a popular rumour currently flying about. But Farcroft, a stable companion of Migsummer Lad at Saxon House, should not beat The Czar in the second division of the Cold Ash Novices Hurdle, always assuming that Bob Turnell has been able to coax this potentially

good half-brother to Comaught back to form. The Czar was a good two-year-old but he lost his form completely in the spring of this year.

There was a power cut at Lingfield Park yesterday afternoon, but thanks to various generators and batteries life went on more or basteries life went on more or less as normal. It was a battery that enabled the judge, Graham Wemyss, to get a limited print from his camera which photographs the finish. This was just as well because without it he would have had a devilish task deciding who had won the Ticehurst Stakes. Rossaldene, To Glory, Pickling Spice and Wolverlanz passed the post more or

thought that Pickling Spice had held on, but the camera showed that Rossaldene was in front to decide who had won the second division of the Rotherfield Stakes. Paul Cole's smart colt, King for a Day, had this prize sewn up a long way from home and he is clearly a cut above average. His jockey, Geoffrey Baxter, was most enthusiastic about the way that enthusiastic about the way that he had won and was adamant that he would develop into a good three-year-old. Cole told me later, incidentally, that he was seriously toying with the idea of running his soft ground spectalist, Hilbandale, in the Prix Perth at St Cloud on November

Earlier in the day, Brian Lunness saddled his wife's four-year-old, Frash, to win the Lullenden Handicap. This was Lunness's sixth winner on the course this season and it meant that he tied with Ryan Price for the position of leading trainer at Lingfield. So they shared the prize of Bollinger Champague which was presented to them both.

Gold and Black gives trainer

Melbourne. Nov 1.—Gold and Black, favourite at 7 to 2, gave Australla's outstanding trainer, Bart Cummings, a record sixth win in the nation's greatest horse race, the \$A155,000 Melbourne Cup, at Flemington here today. Gold and Black, second last year, achieved a record of his own by running the 3.200 metres in 3min 18.4sec, the bastest since the race converted to a metric 3,200 metres from the old throughle distance four years ago. a metric 3,200 metres from the old two-mile distance four years ago. The rive-year-old Gold and Black, a gelded son of French sire In the Purple from the mare Gem, defeated Reckless (11 to 2) by a length with a 56 to 1 outsider Hyperno, closest of the New Zealand challengers, third, a further two-and-a-half lengths away.

Reckless was the sentimental favourite partly because of his 73-year-old trainer Tom Woodcock, who was "strapper" for Australia's most famous receiorse, PharLap, 45 years ago.—Reuter.

Lord Rochford wins the Rotherfield Stakes from Cherry Picking at Lingfield Park yesterday.

Fitness of Forest King should tip the scales

By Michael Seely
The 1978 Grand National will
almost certainly be Red Rum's
last race. Everybody's favourite
horse was found to be coughing
after his fallure behind Bar Rock
at Catterick Bridge last Saturday.
The opening of a betting shop in
Penrith next week will positively
be Red Rum's last public appearance before being sent to a
Cheshire vet, Ted Greenaway, for
his annual six-month holiday.
After that he will return to
Southport to be prepared for his
final assault on Ambree. As usual,
Red Rum will have his two preparatory races at Haydock Park
before trying to win the National
for the fourth time and becoming
the first 13-year-old to triumph at
Liverpool since Surgesm Murphy
in 1923.
A few miles up the M5 from
Penrith, the best National Hung

in 1923,

A few miles up the M5 from Penrith, the best National Hunz programme to be staged in the north this season will take place today. Tony Dickinson's star novice, Gay Spartan, whose fire successes in a row at the end of last season included a victory in the Sun Alliance Steeplechase at the National Hunz meeting, will attempt to defy 12st filb in the Denton Handicap Steeplechase. This brilliant jumper and thorough stayer will be well suited by Car-

Lingfield Park

the scales in Forest King's favour.

Another of last season's top novices. The Last Light, who finished third to Gay Spartan at Cheltenham, may also find lack of a previous outling telling against him in the Orton Steeplechase. This two-mile handscap should lie between Gordon Richards's easy Southwell winner, Sea Count, and Arthur Stephenson's course specialist, Winter Chimes, who should now be straight in condition after his recent find to his stable companion, The Fencer, at Newcaste. I just prefer Winter Chimes. .30 ROTHERFIELD STAKES (Div I: Lord Rochford, b. 2, by Tuder
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liste's stiff three miles and the soft ground, but is sure to need the run. The same will probably apply to Tamalin, who despite his hefty burden of 12st 7lb is the best handicapped animal in the race.

My selection is that amazing character, Forest King, the winner of nine races over fences two seasons ago. Heavily penalized for those victories, Ken Hogg's gelding only managed to achieve one victory last campaign. At Newcastle last week Forest King was not all that impressive when bearing Set Point by two and a half lengths. But the ground was a little fast for the eightyear-old that afternoon and in today's conditions superior fitness may the

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Leicester results 1.15 (1.19) AUTUMN STAKES (9-y-0: Misco-Maddi, b C, by The Go Scorosis—Mrs Randy (8, Comm), Scorosis—Mrs Randy (8, Comm), Scorosis—Mrs Randy (8, Comm), Proposit (5, Comm), Mas Liquaur, 8, Webster (14-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 5-1 Yaumeout (44h), 1 Miss Informat, 16-1 Aurocatio Sant, Right Surprise, 10 ms. 10-12; Will, 32g: places, 166; 199, 310; dust Inventat, 53g, T. Gouing at Epsem, 51, 21. L.15 (1.44) BARSEY HANDICAP
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2.15 (2.19) POSSE WAY HANDIGAP
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—Cale Au Laik (Mrs W. Joses), 1

Miss Caribbean W. Caron (17-3)

Mrs See ..., C. Gray (16-1)

Mrs See ..., D. See (11-1)

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Houreful Stee, 12-1 Mary Grand, 14-1

Young Blade, 16-1 Calestin, Cethword, 20-1 See (4th), 33-1 Mars

Lick, 13 rdn.

TYTE: Whn 870: Phoces, 35-0, 11e.

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TOTE: Win 149: Paces, 119, East, 529: dual forecast, 57.21. P. Cole. Lambourn, 51, 221. Lumb 19.17sc. TOTE DOUBLE: Reman Scibe and Resadence, 237.80. THEBLE: Low Potter, Fresch and King for a Day.

5.15 (3.20) PYTCHLEY STAKES (2-5-0; E555; SC) (2-y-6: \$536: \$5)

Touch Pirus, ch.c. by Touch Piner

—Pirus Carl. (3 Expects), 5-11

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Galadriei ... R. Carrant (10-1) S

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Persnia, Syrson d'Or Run Royale
(equal 4th), 35-1 Hard Hold, LamranLove, Saltire the Law. Carge Runse,
Cornoon, Star Quesy, 19 run.

TOTE: Win, 41p; places, 11p, 37p.

Sedgefield NH 1,15: 1, brish Morn (7-2); 2, Green-land (5-1); fav: 5, Easter Saint (16-1). Nishet-Amms 3-1 it fav. 2 1.48: 1, June Seider (7-4 fav); 2. John B (20-1); 3. Aucklander (5-2). 2.15: 1. Lucius (8-13 2v): 2. Nov-miland (5-2): 5. Prancophile (9-2). 2.45; 1. Tanora (15-8 fav); 2. (6-2), Sugar (20-1); 3, Willow Walk (6-2), Sugar (5-2), a man (5-2), a man (5-2), a man (5-4); d, whith Sight (5-4); d, whith Sight (5-4); man (5-4); d, whith Sight (5-4); man (5-4); d, service Charps (5-1), 8 mm.

Olympic Games ... Los Angeles is likely to

host 1984 event Lausanne, Switzerland, Nov 1 .-The United States west coast city of Los Angeles will probably host the 1984 Olympic Games because it was the only city to apply to the International Olympic Committee. The IOC, in a statement from its headquarters here, said it would amounce a formal decision on the sames site at a meeting in Athens in May. But it said that the Los Angeles application would be the only one considered.

Lord Killanin, the IOC president, was disappointed that the United States city was the only applicant and said others had apparently been rejeited off by exaggerated reports of the costs involved. The IOC said applications for the 1954 winter Olympic Games had been received from Sapporo (Japan), host of the 1972 winter games, Göteborg (Sweden) and Sarajeso (Yngodsvia). An application by the French Olympic committee on behalf of two French sid resort areas would also be considered, it added. amounce a formal decision on the

conditions valid reason being that evidence could be given of the tenets of that religion or faith to see if the person was or was not an ad-herent of it. On that reasoning the condition in the Tuck Settle-ment about " Jewish faith " would seem not to be avoided for con-ceptual uncertainty. in re Tuck's Settlement Trusts Before Lord Denring, Master of the Rolls, Lord Russell of Kil-lowen and Lord Justice Eveleigh

Another distinction was to found in the cases—between con-dition precedent and condition tainty might avoid a condition subsequent, but not a condition precedent. His Lordship failed to see the logic of the distinction. But it was a distinction authorized by the Court of Appeal in in re Allen, deed ([1953] Ch 510. ard acknowledged by Lord Wilberforce in Blathagast y Baron Cambey ([1976] AC 396, 424-5).

His Lordship deplored both dichotomies, for they served to defeat the intention of the testator or settlor.

Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Russell of Killowen and Lord Justice Eveleigh A settlement made in 1912 by Sir Adolph Tuck, the first baronet, for the benefit of future holders of the baronetry who fulfilled its conditions, including marriage to an "approved wife" who should, among other things, he "a wife of Jewish blood by one or both of her parents", was held by the Court of Appeal to be valid in law because it was plain that by that phrase the settler did not intend such wife to be 100 per cent of Jewish blood.

The effect of the decision is that the benefit under the settlement, stated now to be worth about £75,000, continues to be enjoyed by the present baronet. Sir Bruce Adolph Reginald Tuck, and his two sons, Richard and Christopher, by his first marriage to autiful approved wife", though there has since been a divorce and he has remarried a lady who would not quality as an approved wife. The validity of the sertlement was originally challenged by a number of persons and a charity who would benefit under the settlor's will if the sertlement fund were invalid.

Their Lordships, in reserved judgments, dismissed an appeal by the National Westminster Bank Ltd, as sole executor of the will of Desmond Adolph Tuck, detestator or settlor.

How was any testator or settlor to overcome those legal difficulties? Sir Adolph said that any dispute or doubt should be decided by the Chief Rubbi. That seemed a good solution. Who better than the Chief Rubbi to decide whether a wife was "of Jewish blood" and had been brought up "secording to the Jewish faith"?

That. Mr Dillon said, was not

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Settlement with

'Jewish blood'

Court of Appeal

Their Lordships, in reservoir judgments, dismissed an appeal by the National Westminster Bank Ltd, as sole executor of the will of Desmond Adolph Tuck, deceased, second son of Sir Adolph, from Mr Justice Whitford (The Times, November 4, 1975; [1976] Ch 99), who had held, on an originating summons by the Public Trustee and the deceased Desmond Tuck, that the trusts were valid by reason of a provision that any disputes as to facts relating to the stipulated by one or other of two chief rabbis in London.

Mr G. B. H. Dillon, OC, and Mr Timothy Dewhurst for the bank; Mr Gerald Godfrey, OC, and Mr T. R. F. Jennings for the present wife and his two sons by his first marriage; Mr Nathaniel McCidem (who was beutral on the appeal) for the Public Trustee with whom the first settlement was made.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS That, Mr Dillon said, was not an admissible solution, for where there was conceptual uncertainty for the court, it was not clear enough for a rabbi cliher; alternatively the settlor was ousting the court's jurisdiction.

His Lordebly could not accome atternatively the sethor was onsting the court's jurisdiction.

His Lordship could not accept either submission or the decisiors on which Mr Dillon relied. All the cases required reconsideration in the light of Dundee General Hospitals Board of Management v Walker (1952) I All E R 895) a House of Lords Scottish decision of the highest persuasive value.

In the law of contract, when persons agreed to refer a matter to a third person for decision and that his decision was to be final and binding on them, the parties were bound by it. If that was the position in contract, his Lordship saw no reason why a testator or settlor should not leave the decision to his trustaes or a third party. He did not thereby oust the jurisdiction of the courts.

The teststor might think that The testator might think that the courts were not really the most suitable means of deciding a dispute or doubt. He would be quite right. He might well want to cut out all the cackle and let someone decide it who would really understand what he was talking about; and thus save an expensive journey to the lawars. expensive journey to the lawyers and the courts. The Chief Rabbi's decision might be more acceptable to all concerned than that of a court of law.

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Sir Adolph died in 1926, leaving
two sons and dispute. He
was succeeded by his eldest son,
who married an approved wife
and had a son and daughts. He
by his son, Sir Brace Tack. Sir
Bruce married an approved wife,
there was a divorce. In 1968
the married a lady who was not an
exproved wife.

Was the settlement waid?
If
it was, the fund would go to Sir
Bruce and his two sons; if invalid,
it would go to Sir Adolph's estata.

Mr Dillon submitted that the
definition of "approved wife"
was void for uncertainty, which
it could not be cured by referring
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by the ingentity of lawers, first
in discovering the uncertainty and
secondly in refusing to allow it to
be cured by reference to the Chief
Rabbi.

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which had begun to fascinate
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Showers of praise for Piggott

By Michael Seely.

On a wet and windy afternoon at Leicester yesterday, Lester Piggott, paying his first visit to the track this season, gave his many followers plenty to shout about. The maestro landed a first and last race double, capturing the Autumn Claiming Stakes on Maker-Match for Tommy Gosling, the Epsom trainer, and the Tugby Handicap on Can Run for David Gasdolfo. Both horses started favourite, Can Run being a particularly hefty market order being backed down from 11 to 2 to 3 to 1.

The only other first choice in the market to succeed was Bush-branch in the Barsby Selling Handicap. The three-voar-old is trained by Toby Balding and belongs to Patri Boyd, the former wife of George Harrison, the Beatle, Bushbranch is Miss Boyd's diret receipors and was a vestion.

Newbury programme

1.0 COLD ASH HURDLE (Div I : 3-y-o : £696 : 2m 100yd)

2.0 SEVEN BARROWS HURDLE (Handicap: £1,079: 2m 100yd)

BAGNOR HURDLE (£1,394:2]m 120yd)

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3.0 MARSH BENHAM STEEPLECHASE (Handlesp: £1,167)

3.30 COLD ASH HURDLE (Div II: 3-5-0: 5588: 2m 100yd)

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- Berrott F. Waltern 11-0

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- Jocks Bend, R. Armylag: 11-0

- Mirced Un Kid, D. Marks, 11-0

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- Riberry, R. Smith, 11-0

- Scampalet, G. Becatead, 11-0

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- Scan, J. Webber, 11-0

- Stingson Jarsey, B. McMahon, 11-0

- Taioffar, W. Musson, 11-0

- Taioffar, W. Musson, 11-0

- Universal, H. Nicholson, 11-0

- Universal, H. Nicholson, 11-0

- L. W. Playbirds, II-2 The Cast, 7-1 ferrout, 8-1

By Our Racing Correspondent
1.0 RODMAN is specially recommended. 1.30 Vulabaloo. 2.0 Mid-summer Lad. 2.30 Valiant Charger. 3.0 Lean Forward. 3.30 The Czar.

Bysels, D. Rent, S-10-B
Single Spar, D. Kent, R-10-B
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Weeter Rel, F. Winter, B-10-D
Heater Rel, F. Winter, B-10-D
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Gharles Swith, D. Morley, S-10-D
Salvany, A. Moore, S-10-D
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2.30 BAGNOR HURDLE (£1,394 : 21m 120vd)

Farm in the last furiong. Gandolfo is a particularly taleated trainer. Better known in the National Hunt world, he has now saddled Cau Run to win four races this season and there is every chance that the four-year-old may carry plus 5 lb penalty in the Bonfire Handicap at Doncaster on Saturday. Bonght originally as being likely to make a jumper, Can Run took an immediate dislike to the game and his attentions will be confined to the flat again next season. Apart from these three winners

it was an afternoon of customary autumn surprises. In the Pytchley Stakes. Girlams started a hot favourite at 11-10 on to win his favourite at 11-10 on to win his sixth race of the season. But Jeremy Hindley's coit was feeling the effects of his long season and dropped back beaten two furlongs from home. Inside the distance Mallabee looked all over a winner, but was caught in the final strides by Touch Pirate. Despite his starting price of 50-1, the two-year-old's trainer, William Stephenson, seemed not in the

least surprised at his success.

"Don't forget Touch Pirate ran extremely well behind Homing at York", Stephenson said.

The other major shock of the day came when Black Crow beat Miss Caribbean in the Fosse Way Handicap Stakes. Both horses are trained by Douglas Smith, but Black Crow was an 8-1 chance while Miss Caribbean was well backed at 11-2, "What could I do", bewailed the trainer, "They are both well-bred fillies, who are due to be sold at the December

are both well-bred fillies, who are due to be sold at the December sales. Both ammals were extremely well and they had no alternative engagements left this season." Smith certainly had a point, Both animals are sired by Sea Hawk II, whose progeny are much in demand. John Lowe rode the winner and William Carson had the mount on Miss Caribbean. Carson has certainly suffered a temporary setback since his triumph on Boldboy at Haydock on Saturday. Apart from his defeat on Dunferniline in the French St Legar, the Scot was involved

record sixth win

Carlisle programme



2.45 DENTON STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £644:3m)
1 62010- Tamais (C-0), O. Richards, 10-12-7
2 w11111- 'Cay Seards (C), R. Olichinson, 6-12-6
3 0400-21 Farest King (C-0), R. Olichinson, 6-12-6
5 010- Tregorron (D), K. Olicor, 10-11-2
5 3140- Caminbot (D), W. A. Sicohemand, 8-11-1
9 p141-2 Cancot (D), C. Beil, 6-10-0
10 2ho073- Branklas (D), N. Crimo, 7-10-0
20-1 Resultsi. 11-4 Forust King, 13-4 Tropartso, 10-1 Cantabet, 10-1 Resultsi.



ABY HURDLE (Div II: Novices: £3
River Beile, H. Ford. 4-11-10
Biossed By, D. McCain. 5-11-3
Dancecastia, W. A. Stephenson. 7-11-3
Dancards, W. A. Stephenson. 7-11-3
Dancards, Hash M. Handlon B. L. Stephenson. J. Landlon B. Landlon

Carlisle selections By Our Racing Staff
1.15 Kelice Brig. 1.45 WINTER CHIMES is specially recommended.
2.15 Holly Twist. 2.45 Forest King. 3.15 Jingling Johnny. 3.45 Cape

1.30 Zongalero. 2.0 Charles Swift. 3.30 Mr Playbirds. Show jumping

Newbury selections

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Smith and Broome give Britain flying start

From Pamela Macgregor-Morris
Teheran, Nov 1

Harrey Smith won the first supple

Guide (48.5). Paul Schockemöhle
on Willowdale, and d'Inzeo again Harvey Smith won the first event at the Aryamehr international jumping show this evening on Dlympic Star, David Broome finished third on his veteran Bally-willwill to give Britain a good start to the four-day show which has attracted such household names as Colonel Piero d'Inzeo, the field of 56 included 27 Iranian entries, many of them from the imperial who favour the Irish horse and have recently imported a new

and have recently imported a new consignment.

James Kernan, Ireland's former funior European champion, set a good targer, clear in 45.9 sec, on Arlington. Paul Darragh, his compatriot, was faster on the Iranian-owned Clare Girl, but had three fences down. Not haring realized that the riders were taking their own horses to Iran this year, he is being mounted from a pool.

On his first horse Graffiti, Smith had a fence down in 45.3 sec, and on Rameses Piero d'Inzeo's clear round was too slow in 51.9 sec to get on terms. Then Broome took Ballywillwill to the front in 45.4 sec, which was good enough to hold Hubert Parot on Carrousel

on The Avenger. But it was not proof against Olympic Star, who was clear in 44.9.

was clear in 44.9.
It was very encouraging for the home side, who have only ever jumped against the Lebanese and the adjacent Russians, when 27-year-old Ezat Vojdani, a groom at the imperial stables, as his father was before him, went into second place on the German horse, Shabrang, in 45.3 sec.

Tayld Russian another string

rang, in 45.3 sec.

David Broome had another string to his bow in the newly acquired Highland Laddie, bought from Cherryl Walker. But a nearside rall rolled off the very last parallel as he went through the finish in what would have been the winning time, 43.9 sec. Smith received his trophy from the young Prince Ali Reza.

Riders were confined to one horse apiece for the last com-

horse spiece for the last com-pedition, with one jump-off, which produced another British triumph with victory well corned by Broome on the gallant Ballywill-will. Eight went through to the barrage and Ballywillwill, going at No 4, produced the first clear

round in 38.4sec. Parot and Carrousel were second for France in 40.1sec, and Schockemblie was third for West Germany in 41sec on his Olympic horse, the grey, Homoverfan Agent. Ten nations are represented at the show, now in its eighth year. First held outdoors at the royal First held outdoors at the royal stables, it has been held indoors the last two years, over courses built by Mrs Pamela Carruthers, the architect at Hickstead, New York and many other leading shows around the world. The indoor stadium is the envy of all Europeaus present, particularly the British.

Oud in shape, 60 yards by 40

Ovad in shape, 60 yards by 40 yards, and much wider than Wembley's Empire Pool, it was Wembley's Empire Pool, it was built three years ago when the seventh Asian games were held in Teheran. Light and airy, its long high windows swathed in white curtaining, it is liberally hedecked with flowers and the fences are veritable bowers. With its tiers of orange steating, and the press seats attacked behind the judges and in front of the royal box, it exceeds the wildest dreams of all the international experts.

The president of the show, who is also master of the horse to the Shah, as well as being managing director of the Royal Horse Society end chairman of the National Equestrian Federation (he also administers the football federation in his spare time, and is riding at the show here) is Kambiz Atabai. A member of an old Persian family—his father was master of the horse before him—he started life in the army, trained for two years at Sandhurst and then joined the imperial armed foxces as a captain. "Then I decided I had had enough edventure and I was seconded to the imperial court." the imperial court."

His wife, who works in the Foreign Office, was educated in England. Both are very keen on riding, and the royal horse society was formed to improve the native Fersian breeds—the Caspian, Plateau Persians, Asia and Turkoman. The lati-maned make useful show jumpers up to a certain height, but for international competitions horses are imported from Ireland (notably Eddie Macken's old partner. Outfield Hills) or from Germany.

Hockey

New joint board seeks to gain

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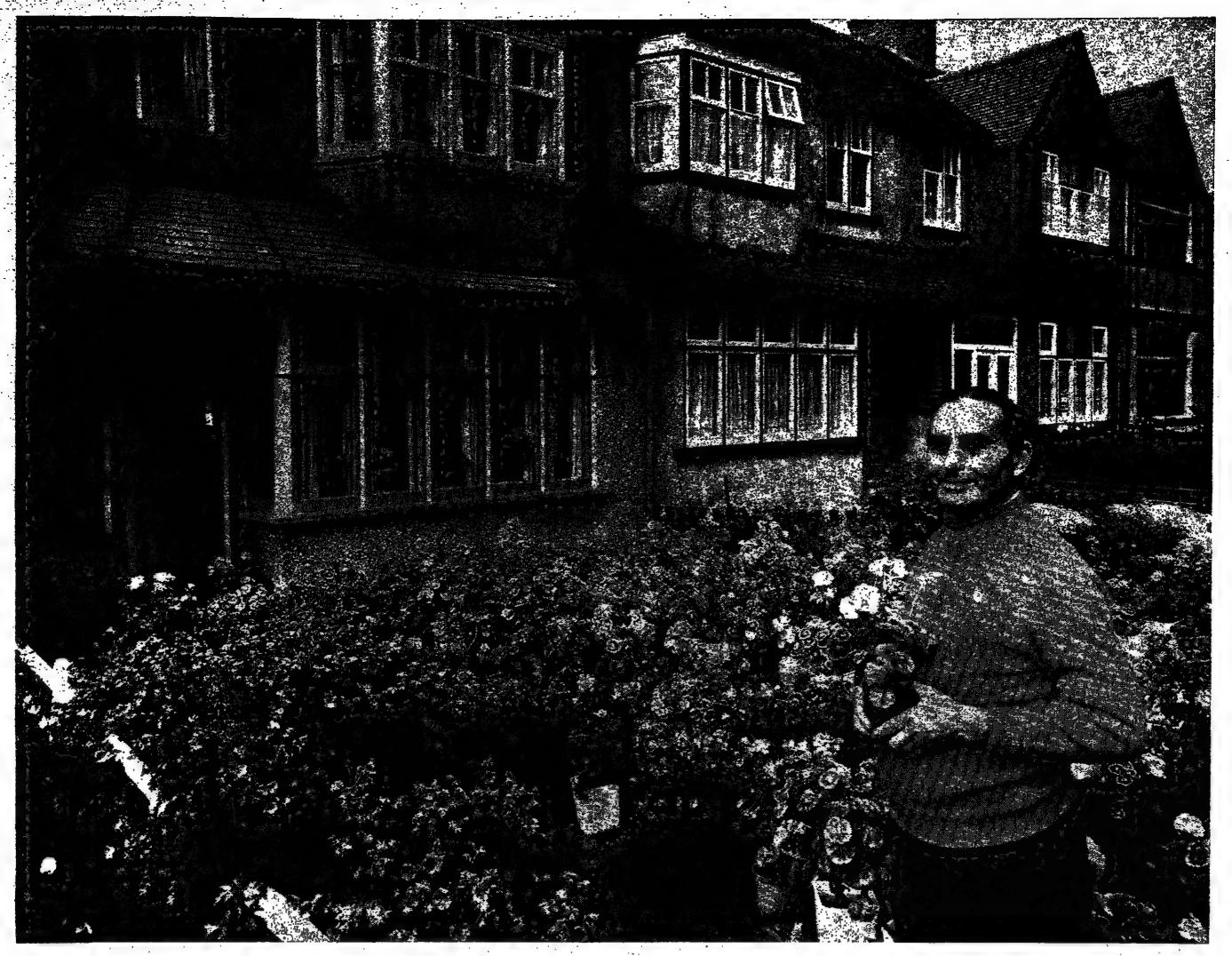
Fecognition

By Sydney Friskin

A joint Great Britain Hockey
Board for men and women has
recently been formed. The purpose
as far as the 1980 Olympic Games
at Moscow are concerned is to gain
recognition by the International
Olympic Committee (IOC), the
British Olympic Association
(BOA), the Federadon Internationale de Hockey (FIH), and the
International Federation of
Women's Hockey Associations
Men and women have equal
representation on the newly
formed board, the composition of
which is: R. A. Flexcher (president, Hockey Association, England); W. S. F. Robertson
(president, Scottish Hockey Association); Mrs D. Crisp (chairman,
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Why the pitmen said no to a tailor-made gateway out of confrontation

On collision course now as the miners plunge the pay policy into darkness

The miners' vote to reject the obvious way out of a pay confrontation shatters all the assumptions about wage restraint and casts doubt on the ability of the Covern-ment to retain its "special relationship" with the trade union movement.

Rarely can a union president have had such an unappealing task as that faced by Mr Joe Gormley yesterday. He had to admit that his entire political strategy, based on defusing coalfield unrest through a self-financing productivity deal, had

The president of the National Union of Mineworkers has espoused the cause of production bonuses since elected to office, and the second, humiliating, defeat of his policies at the hands of the left must give rise to serious anxiety about the ability of the Cabinet to win through this critical

The figures speak for themselves. In the militant coalfields, miners have responded overwhelmingly to their area leaders' call to reject pit incentives in favour of a battle over their basic wage. They have rejected the recommendation of the executive committee of the NUM to accept the argument that wages should be directly linked to output.

be directly linked to output.

All this comes ar a time of falling production in the mines. Despite hig payrises won after the convulsive stoppages of 1972 and 1974, the men have not increased output in line with the ambitious targets set by the tripartite Plan for Coal agreed by ministers, the National Coal Board and the unions in 1974.

Massive investment in the nits, making Massive investment in the pits, making the United Kingdom coal industry probably the most mechanically advanced in the world, has been accompanied by falling

Production in the first 29 weeks of the Coal Board's financial year starting on April I was 54,686,000 tons. For the comparable period last year it was 55,910,000 tons. In the last week for which figures are available, ending October 15, output totalled 2,218,000 tons by comparison with 2,224,000 in 1976. Output per manshift has also steadily declined, from 44.8 cm is 1975 to 43.6 last year and 42 cm at the last telly.

Stocks of coal at the prthead and maide the gates of power stations are down substantially to just below 30 million tons. partly because of falling productivity. And the downward trend in production suggests that these reserves will be depleted faster than is normal at the beginning of winter.

Against this background, the men bave chosen to say "no" to the tailor-made gateway out of a confrontation. Quite apart from the emotive arguments of whether greater effort at the face would put. "blood on the coal", the political considerations surrounding their wages cannot have been ignored by miners in

In the militant areas, the propagands effort was directed away from the acceptable method of getting more money through increasing output. This was dismissed as "paying for your own wage increase". It was directed instead towards the pay claim, which inevitably brings in

Such a fundamental break in the logic of wage restraint is bound to have wide repercussions in the Labour movement. It repercussions in the Labour movement. It can only strengthen the resolve of those groups—such as the firemen, the train drivers, the "dirty jobs" town hall employees and lorty drivers—who are looking for a plausible way through the Government's 10 per cent limit.

The Cabinet is therefore faced with a challenge to its incomes policy founded not only in the piemen's mistrust of piecework but in a highly-organized political threat to its last electoral trump card—the link with moderate union leaders that has delivered consent to rule

over the past two years.

This will read across to other sectors of employment, and politically-sensitive bodies like the policy-making national committee of the engineering workers' union that meets in two weeks' time will not be slow to pick up the electric pace of

The first mining festival is to be held in Blackpool this weekend, to celebrate 30 years of nationalization of the industry. It is billed as the social event of the year, with more fireworks on Guy Fawkes day than the Queen had for her jubilee celebrations. If events follow the precedent of recent years, it will be fireworks for the miners, and candles for the rest.

Paul Routledge

The Statistics of Militancy

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Area	Total	" XES "	(%age)	" NO "	(%age)
Yorkshire	47,644	11,080	(23])	36,564	(762)*
Nominghamshire	25,250	15,208	(66)	10,042	(34)
South Wales	21,572	3,643	(17)	17,929 .	(83)*
Officials and Staff	14,369	11,849	(82)	2,520	(171)
Durham	13,433	8,449	(63) .	4,984	(37)
Scotland	13,154	. 2,255	(17)	10,899	(83)*
Midlands	11,182	6,019	(54)	5,163	(46)
Derbyshire	9,069	3,419	(37))	5,650	(621)*
North-Western	7,422	4,045	(543)	3,377	(451)
Northumberland	5,863	3,819	(65)	2,044	(35)
Durham Mechanics	5,036	3,806	(7S})	1,230	(241)
Scottish Enginemen	4,108	1,003	(241)	3,105	(751)*
Power Group No. 1	3,973	3,016	(76)	957	(24)
Cokemen	3,427	2,043	(\$91)	1,384	(40)
South Derbyskire	2,687	1,912	(71)	775	(29)
Leicestershire	2,603	1,837	(704)	766	(29 <u>†</u>)
Kent	2,201	632	(282)	1,569	(711)*
Northumberland Mechs .	1,902	1,523	(80)	379	(20)
Cumberland	75\$	16.3	(48)	393	(52)*
Power Group 2	. 1,279	818	(64)	461	(36)
North Wales	889	597	(67)	292	(33)
Durham Enginemen	717	566	(79)	151	(21)
Total	198,535	87,901	-(445)	110,634	(55%)

The last-minute drama that made Leo Amery the brains behind the Balfour Declaration

November 2 is a red letter day in the Jewish calendar—but how rod? The argument about the importance of the Balfour Declaration to the pro-

Balfour Declaration to the progress of Zionism and the development of Israel has been going on for the past 60 years.

On November 2, 1917, the then British Foreign Secretary, Lord Balfour, who, as Arthur James Balfour, had been Tory Prime Minister some 15 years carlier, sent a brief note to Lord Rothschild:

ord Rothschild:

Foreign Office, November 2nd, 1917. Dear Lord Rothschild, Inave much pleasure in conveying to you, on behalf of His Majesty's Government, the following declaration of sympathy with Jewish Zionist aspirations which has been submitted to, and approved by, the Cabinet. His Majesty's Government view with favour the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people, and will use their best endeavours to facilitate the achievement of this object, it being clearly understood that nothing shall be done which may prejudice the civil and religious rights of existing non-jewish communities in Palestine, or the rights and political status enjoyed by Jews in any other country. I should be grateful if you would bring this declaration to the Event edge. grateful if you would bring this declaration to the knowledge of the Zionist Federation.
Yours Arthur Balfour.

The letter is typed on an ancient typewriter, even that time. "Yours" that time. "Yours" and "Arthur Balfour" are added in "Arthur Baltour" are added in longhand, with "Yours" sporting a blob instead of an S. The original of this letter was presented by the late Lord Rothschild to the British Museum. After the dispatch of this note, the world was never the same the world was never the same

again.

I quoted the document verbatim because it belongs to the category of documents that have been killed by their population. larity. Everybody knows about the Balfour Declaration. Few have ever read it in its com-

one thing has to be said before we embark upon the text itself. Britain had a coalition government at the time-the British always have one during a major war—and David
Lloyd George was a very strong
Prime Minister. Without his
full support and backing
Balfour could never have writBalfour David whether Balfour had in mind a Jewish state. And if not, what
did he have in mind?
There is no doubt that the
Balfour Declaration—and the
Balfour Declaration—and the ten his epistle to Rothschildwhether he was a Zionist or not,

classic compromises which leave ample room for various inter-pretations (shades of Dr Henry Kissinger). Historians and poli-



Left, Leo Amery: "sheer agony" as the War Cabinet meet. Right, Balfour with Lloyd George: they were not sure what the declaration meant.

ration meant, though both are on record as saying that they were proud of it.

No document in the annals of modern history has been so much analysed, dissected, interpreted, praised, abused, con-demned and celebrated as the Balfour Declaration. Yet, we shall never know for sure whether Balfour had in mind a Jewish state. And if not, what There is no oouer that the Balfour Declaration—and the British Mandate over Palestine, granted at San Remo in 1920 by the League of Nations— The Company of Nations— It is not clear what the declaration had intended to convey. Its text is one of the country "favored to the country to the countr

But it was not a beginning.
In Jewish mythology, the Messiah was born on the day the Temple was destroyed. The return to Zion is part of the Jewish faith. More realistically, the first Jewish colonies had been established in Pales, time 40 years before the Raifour portion in our assessments.

This brings me to the rather of the Raifour Declaration. tine 40 years before the Balfour Declaration. Again, and equally pertinent, the first Zionist Con-gress took place 20 years before

In fact, the declaration itself acknowledged the existence of a Zionist Federation; Lord Rothschild was asked to convey the declaration to the ZF. To say that the Balfour Declaration was a beginning is, therefore,

on the other, it was vitally On the other, it was vitally important for the Zionists to have the openly declared good will of His Majesty's Government in 1917. Large parts of the world map were red at that time—the British Empire was still intact. To Jews everywhere, the declaration was a dream ing garden", as Churchill put it. Incidentally, here was another Anglo-Zionist who sup-ported the Balfour Declaration, the declaration was a dream come true.

But soon the trouble started. Story in his own words, mostly.

must preserve a sense of pro-

This brings me to the real author of the Balfour Declararion, the man who actually wrote that text. Over the years, a name would be suggested, and the suggestion would be followed by a denial or disclaimer. I discovered the true author in a remarkable interview with the late Leopold Amery, who used to be Secre-tary to the War Cabinet in the First World War and a senior member of the government in

the last war.

Leo Amery died in 1955, at the age of 82. Our interview took place a short time before his death. His Zionism went back to the days before the Balfaur. Deplementing and he light four Declaration, and he lived to see the Jewish state. The following is Leo Amery's

ticians, scholars and biographers, have since dealt with this text according to taste, as it were. The argument is endless. In fact, Balfour himself (he died in 1930) and Lloyd George (who died in 1945) were not sure what their declaration, meant, though himself and the was perhaps the greatest of them all.

But it was not a beginning. Ormsby-Gore, but also Neville and Balfour, Churchill and Ormsby-Gore, but also Neville Chamberlain and Malcolm Macdon Artice.

Thus, in this anniversary year of the Balfour Declaration, we was Secretary to the Cabinet. The famous text of the Balfour Macdon Ma was Secretary to the Cabinet. The famous text of the Balfour Declaration, the one you don't seem to like, and I don't like very much either, was actually written by me on the back of an old memo. I wrote it in a great hurry, which one should never do, Bur I had no choice. There was no time for stylistic

> The date was October 31st, 1917. The War Cabinet was going to have a meeting in an hour's time, at which the final draft of a declaration relating to Palestine, Zionism and Jews in general was to have been approved. But we had no text. The idea was there all right, but it was not finally formulated. For weeks we had arguments, quarrels, denials, confirmations, consultations, secret chats with various interested parties. We knew what we wanted, roughly.
> The skeleton was there, as

considerations.

it were, but there was no flesh upon it. There was nothing the Prime Minister could put before the Cabinet. And the hands of the clock moved forward mercilessly, relentlessly. We Zionists knew quite well that, if we did not have a decision on an agreed text that day, it might drag on for another few weeks, and who knows? But we made no progress with the text. made no progress with the text

mede no progress with the text.
Forty-five minutes: left. It was truly dramatic. The room was full of tension. You could feel it in the air. You could cut it with a knife. Proposals and counter-proposals chased each other in the bewildering circle. Go-betweens kept on telephoning. They were anxious, of course. My desk was full of pieces of paper—discarded formulae. I kept on composing texts and tearing them up. I must have written five, or possibly six. None of them was any must have written five, or possibly six. None of them was any good for our purpose, and none of them satisfied their author—poor me. No inspiration. Have you ever gone through an experience of trying to formulate something without inspiration? It can be sheer agony.

to drift into my room, to see whether I had the text ready. whether I had the text reedy.
And there I was without a
text. . . I felt that none of
them could help, though they
all knew what was required.
They all rolled together—
Zionists, non-Zionists, antiZionists. You see, Zionism has
always been an emotive subject.
It still is.
Well. I made a last dec-

Well, I made a last desperate effort on the back of that old memo. I suddenly had a brainwave. Sometimes, when time is short, something turns up, I wrote a new text, starting from scratch. Lloyd George came up, glanced at it and exclaimed: "Yes, that's it." Balfour had a look and nodded. Milner and Smuts read the brand new text together and dissolved in smiles. They were both Zionists, and both of them felt that the declaration must be approved on that day.

The meeting of the Cabinet started, and that famous text was approved without much argument. In fact, they made no changes in my text whatsotime is short, something turns

no changes in my text whatso-ever. And so I became the actual author of the Balfour Declaration. The copyright will expire in 1967.

It did, indeed, expire 10 years

Bernard Levin

History's verdict: keep the persecutor of historians out of Britain

attention, one way and another, to the visits to this country of representatives of the Soviet Union and her empire. Among the worst cases are those of Shelepin, then chief extirpator of the rights of Soviet workers, fawned over by Mr Len Murray and other TUC leaders, Boris Ponamerov, one of the most brutal of all Soviet tyrants, honoured guest of the Labour Party's National Executive, and Bohuslav Chnoupek, Quisling Party's National Executive, and Bohuslav Chnoupek, Quisling "Foreign Minister" of Czecho-słovakia, officially invited by

the British Government. Sometimes these visits are Sometimes these visits are justified on grounds of raison d'eiat: sometimes it is said that they are the fruits of an agreed exchange of visitors, and the British hosts are not in a position to exclude particular individuals, however vile or even criminal their record (and all three of the ones I have mentioned above certainly have such histories). But there is such histories). But there is in our midst at this moment a man whose record is such that,

in our midst at this moment a man whose record is such that, though one or more of the standard excuses may be offered for his presence, he has so violated all the canons of acceptability that his being here, under whatever auspices, is inexcusable.

His name is Václav Král; he is here under an exchange agreement between the British Academy and its equivalent—or rasher a ghost body representing such an equivalent—in Czechoslovakia. He is an historian; he is also a falsifier of history and of historical documents alike, and the principal instrument of repression against Czech scholars. His real job, indeed, can be properly described as that of a persecutor; what is more, he uses his powers not only on behalf of his masters and their ideological requirements but for his his masters and their ideolo-gical requirements but for his own private ends, pursuing those who have not followed the Party line with no greater vigour than those who have had the remerky to draw attention to shortcomings in his own

work.

Kral's activities as an historian have been largely confined to peddling the official Soviet line on the 1938 Munich agreement and the subsequent Nazi seixure of Czechoslovakia, his thesis, in book after book being that the heroit Soviet Union was ready and eager to come to the sid of Czechoslovakia but was pravented from doing so by the imperialists of Britain and France. For his masswerving devotion to his Soviet mesters he has been amply rewarded; not only has he held high official exademic posts, and had his articles and books sponsored and published on a massive scale, but he has been given sole access to historical files and archives. This provides he has double abused. torical files and archives. This privilege he has doubly abused, by fassification or suppression of the material, and by preventing other historiens from pursuing their own research in the same areas. He has, I may say, carried his habit of doctor-ing the records to Britain; in a recent work based on earlier recent work based on earlier research in the Public Record Office (life present visit to Brusin is by no means his first, though I trust it will be his last) he eltered one part of a crucial letter and omitted another, vital, part, knowing, after all, that he was safe from criticism in Czech publications. His forgery was exposed in the (His forgers was exposed in the TLS by J. W. Bruegel, but that review will not be seen in Czechoslovakia.)

The lengths to which Král goes in his vindictiveness against scholars in his own country who have attempted to correct his falsifications may be measured by the controversy he had with one of the editors of the Czech history magazine Past and Present, Emanuel Mandler. In 1963, Král published a book glorifying the 1948 Soviet seizure of Czechoslovskia, and Mandler criticized Králk fraudulent man of the Král's fraulolent use of the documents; considering that this was four years before the "Czech Spring" it is clear that Mendler's crinicisms must have been of the mildest, and could S. J. Goldsmith | certainly not have included any denunciation or even question-

I have devoted a good deal of ing of the Soviet coup; yet attention, one way and another, Krai, who by then was to the visits to this country of Director of the Institute of

During the brief Dubcek regime of 1968, Král, when he saw which way the wind was blowing, resigned the director-ship of his institute, thus purning himself in a position to thrive after the inevitable suppression by the Soviet Union of Czech liberation movement. The institute, closed in the wake of the imperialists' invasion of of the imperialists' invasion of Czechoslovakia, was reopened (under the more appropriate title of the Czechoslovak-Soviet Institute) shortly afterwards, with the obedient and useful Král in control as director of the new body; he was also appointed head of the Department of Czechoslovak History at Charles University in Prague, some of the department's members having attempted, during the Dubcek era, to tell some of the truth about their subject and thus shown that they of the truth about their subject and thus shown that they needed somebody over them who was fully aware of the impropriety of any such action. In 1970, the purge of Král's former colleagues at the Historical Institute began. Král led it, driving out of academic life no fewer than twenty Czech historians, many of whom are now employed as labourers or in other menial occupations. in other menial occupations. Not only has Král acted as chief prosecutor during the purges; he has also published, as required, pamphlets denouncing the significant pamphlets. the victims.

the victims.

Král's zeal has at times carried him even further than the Party line has demanded. In 1972, for instance, at a conference of historians, he declared that the brutal purges of the 1950s did not go far enough, because some "bourgeois" historians survivad, to help bring about the events of 1968; he appears to be working to destroy the entire present generation of Czech historians, and has got quite a long way towards his goal, to judge from the fact that by 1975, at the International Congress of Ristorical Sciences held in San Francisco, a list was produced Ristorical Sciences held in Son Francisco, a list was produced of no fewer than 145 historians in Czechoslovakia undergoing some form of persecution. (There were 27 historians among the first wave of signatories of Charter 77.)

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And yet this scoundrel, a traiter alike to his country, his calling and hu the guest of academe in British comes and goes here, is given the run of British historical records (and prostipose), and no doubt rubs shoulders with honourable scholars from this country and There is a case—I have

frequently cast doubt on its ultimate validity, but I recognize its strength—for arguing that exchanges of professional, artistic and other visitors between free and unfree countries benefits the unfree, at least in the long run. There is also a case for the argument that governments, and to a lesser extent quasi-public or altogether autonomous bodies of international standing, cannot be too scrupulous about whom they invite from tyrannical pations. But there is surely no case for entertaining a man like Václav Král, treating him as a genuine historian, and—the final insult to the men and—the final insuit to the men and women he has hounded— recognizing him as a repre-sentative of Czechoslovak aca-demic life. If the body which acts as his lost is unable, because of its exchange agree-ment with Czechoslovakia or the Soviet Union, to refuse to have him back, the Government should, next time he indicates his intention of visiting Britain, refuse him entry.

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Of larrikins and old coots and sleepy herrings

Compared to other parliaments modelled on Westminster our House of Commons is occupied by a namby pamby lot when it comes to unparliamentary expressions. The latest volume of The

Table, the journal of the Society of Clerks at the Table in the Commonwealth Parliaments, lists the disallowed expressions of 1976. As you might expect, Australia (with eight Parliaments) comes top, with New Zealand close behind. I ignore the obvious ones, like

bastard, blackmailer, bloodsucker, crook, liar. For me, the sucker, crook, liar, For me, the local tang comes through in phrases like "diatribe of crap" (Victoria), "the larrikin for South Perth" (Western Australia)", "the old giggling Gertie Opposition Whip" (New South Wales), "shut your mouth, you white-haired old mug" (Queensland), and "let the put it in monosyllables" (St me put it in monosyllables " (St

The New Zealand crop is pun-gent: "bundle of bald-headed Wales, sounds old coors"; "effeminate gig-by comparison.

gles"; "he has just run out of fingers" (of a Member confused in his counting); "old dad-dies"; "political morons"; "the Red Reverend, represen-tance in this country of the

Communist Party": "racist". Intriguing is the entry from Zambia-"they are sleeping like herrings in tomato sauce", coming from the same assembly where the Speaker ruled that to call someone "Genghis Khan" was unparliamentary.

There is something delicately E2.49) and entitled European insulting about "he has imBrass. It is not, as business proved on that, because he is not telling lies" (New South Wales) and "I withdraw the word vicious, but maybe British (in the loosest sense) Wilson a malicious might be better " (St offering being the aforement together.

We are left wondering which Wee Willie Winkie Department" (New Zealand). There is something more definite about "thug", "Judas", "Jew-hater", "guttersnipe", "loud-mouth", "scab" and "rathag". "That is an untruth", ruled out of order in New South Wales, sounds positively polite

Something daring, the continental

rogether Europe, music and yachting? You guessed, my old friend Edward Heath. Or, to put it another way, what has the Black Dyke Mills Brass Band got in common with a track (one out of Nine—get it?) entitled Morningcloud con-ducted by Maestro Heath?

It is, of course, a long playing record, to be released on Navember 19 by RCA (price £2.49) and entitled European

What (or indeed, who) brings tioned track, the score for which was specially composed for Mr Heath by Robert Farnon.

Mr Heath is guest conductor launched the record last night made it clear that he rather liked brass bands. The BDMBB (for short) has 20 times won the tiple of premier brass band in Britain and represents the cloth manufacturing company John Foster and Son, who export lots of super mohair to Europe. So Brass. It is not, as business the company thought it ought readers might suppose, a rale of German and French ackers, but music for brass by nine different composers with the Heath and Sir Harold British (in the looset sense) Wilson are getting very close

Government office was "the More on the battling bards

Norman Mailer has fought tive Beat Poet called Gregory bouts of fisticulits at parties Corso. Mr Corso broke off The Bootleggers.

before the one I reported in abruptly when he saw Mr the Diary last week. Mrs Ken-Mailer, shouted "you blankety neth Allsop remembers a pre-Yid" at him, and struck him vious contest at the publication vehemently on the jaw. The party for her husband's book two bards battered and butted each other for some time before The Allsops were discussing they could be separated by unbrotherly love with a diminu-



centre. The show is devoted

Sweet charity turns sour

Old soldiers are rawling their sabres in Sussex this week. It is all because the Chichester diocese, which takes in all the county, has chosen Poppy Week to hold fund-raising events in its 400 parishes to help restore the 900-year-old Chichester cathedral.

Leading the rattling for the Royal British Legion is Major-General Henry Liardet, DSO, aged 70, president of the Sussex branch. He says there is a gentleman's agreement throughout the realm whereby other charities do not poach on Poppy

ironically, the -general belongs to the Friends of Chichester cathedral, who help to raise cash for the noble

Leading the raziling on the other side is Sir John Guillum Scott, the carbedral's administrator. And thereby hangs another rony, He is unrepentant. He does

not believe the door-to-door Poppy sales will be affected by the bring and buys and coffee mornings of the cathedral lovers. I hope both sides win.

Marriage guidance at the gallery

If you are tiring of the great Kepinski, who emphatically art debate of the day, the clasms that the picture shows Turner wrangle, why not involve yourself in the other one. In the pamphlet you get at re-crupting at the National the Jan van Eyck exhibition—the larest of the gallery's excellent Marriage" by Jan van Eyck.

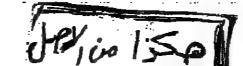
In the pamphlet you get at the Jan van Eyck exhibition—the larest of the gallery's excellent Painting in Focus shows—fini Marriage" by Jan van Eyck. Is it the eponymous Italian

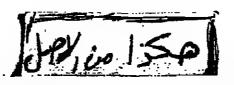
merchant and his better half? Or is it Jan and spouse? Or is Jan merely one of the two figures reflected in the famous convex mirror? The lady looks pregnant, but could it not be the fuller fashions of the time? And if she is expecing, could the child she is carrying be Solomon in pre-glory days?

That last theory is a new one on me, but it is put forward in the foreground is non reflected in the mixtor. The debate continues, but now with all sentoness by Zdzisław

the painting shows a marriage ceremony at all. His fascinating theory, supported by many clues, is there it is about the whole marital relationship—be-trothal, marriage and domesncity. It took a perspicacious young

Sir Emile Littler, the theatrical impresario, has sent me such a devastatingly logical suggestion that I feel I must share its benefits with you Horologists are always telling us, he says, that it is damaging to turn the bands of clocks and watches backwards and yet, the week before last, with the en BST, the press, radio and television were exhorting us to do precisely that. Would we not be better advised, he wonders, to advance all chronometers eleven hours? So grateful to Sir Emile am I that I may even stifle my instinctive antagonism towards Jesus Christ Superstar at his Palace Theatre and part with good money at the box office.





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THE MINERS' NO

It had begun to look deceptively easy, getting back to orderly collective bargaining after two years of restraints. Some productivity arrangements might have seemed a little dublous, but at least the decencies were being observed. But the miners' ballot shows how insecure were the hopes raised by Ford, Leyland and the police. Yesterday's rejection of the productivity scheme throws the miners' union hack on the inordinately large pay claim adopted by its annual conference last summer. If the plan had been accepted, with the substantial rewards it involved, the claim would never have been seriously pressed. It included pay increases of 90 per cent for face workers and a breach of the twelve-month rule. If the miners are able to lay hands on even half of what they demand, the hope of general moderation in pay settlements will be faint.

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For some opponents of the scheme, the opportunity to vanquish the last remnants of official wage restraint was as strong an incentive as any effect it might have had within the industry itself. Most of those who voted must have given less weight to political considerations, though their actions were no doubt influenced by the energetic and adroit campaign mounted by the left wing on the union. If they voted as they did mainly out of suspicion of the scheme, the ballor result would not necessarily indicate readiness to press the pay claim to the

utmost. Productivity schemes providing effective incentives to each pit or coal face easily evoke fears of the old piecework system which encouraged a man to break his health and disregard safety precautions for the sake of a bonus. The proposed

dangers. But by its nature it would have brought greater rewards to some than to others, and exact benefits could not be predicted in advance. Opponents took advantage of these uncertainties to claim that the gains, represented as amounting to about 30 per cent, would be negligible. In fact it is more likely that they would have been much greater than the supposedly self-financing nature of the plan would have justified. Many feared that the bargain-ing strength of their union would be reduced as local factors became more important. Even some prominent moderates like Mr Len Clarke opposed the exact details of the plan while accepting the principle.

But it would be unrealistic to put too much weight on these factors. The vote went broadly in line with the political balance of each area, and every miner as he voted must have known very well that rejection would bring the 90 per cent claim to life. The ballot is clear evidence that the union is continuing to grow more militant. A success of this kind adds further conviction to the claims of the left. Mr Gormley, no militant, declared imme-diately after the result was announced that he would raise no more productivity proposals and that 10 per cent went no-where towards solving the industry's problems.

That is bargaining talk, of course. It remains to be seen where, between 10 and 90 per cent, Mr Gormley has fixed his eye. The bargaining over this claim is sure to be bitter and complex. The TUC will this time be exerting its official pressure on the side of the Government (which, if there is a strike,

arrangement minimized these means that the miners cannot count on as much help from sympathetic fellow-unionists as they had in 1972 and 1974). Mr Callaghan is faced with the dilemma of accepting a destructive violation of the pay guidelines, or of adopting a stance uncomfortably reminiscent of that of Mr Heath. The guidelines are not mandatory, of course, but a gross defiance of them would deeply affect all the bargaining yet to come in a season that has scarcely begun.

The force of the miners' claim rests entirely on their industrial strength. The inflation that they fuelled has robbed them of some of the gains they grabbed in 1974, but they are still among the leaders in industrial pay rates, and the industry faces no recruitment problems. The Coal Board is heavily burdened with costly new projects and is likely to make a loss this year. But coal retains a price advantage over oil, and the economic and environmental advantages of developing our most important domestic fuel resource remain overwhelming.

But even the miners are not exempt from the economic constraints that apply to every other group of workers. Any wage increase that they exact must be fully passed on into the price of coal: there can be no question of the Government's financing it. The collapse of hopes for the productivity increases on which the NCB's huge investment plans are based must make its reappraisal necessary. Deferment, if not abandonment, of some pro-posals must be considered. The miners' actions cannot rob coal of its economic importance, but they must be taken fully into account as a factor limiting the pace and scale of its development.

IT WOULD BE BETTER TO STAY

The decision of the United States its contributions to the ILO for to leave the International Labour Organization, one of the main Organization, one of the main that it was coming too much institutions in the United Nations, under the influence of the Soviet system, comes in spite of pleas for it to stay in from Britain and other industrialized countries, and in spite of doubts in the State Department about the wisdom of the step. For the ILO itself, the results will be dramatic. The organization will lose a quarter of its annual budgetthe American contribution—and will have to make cuts of some 20 million dollars in its activities.

Originally founded in 1919, the ILO is unusual for being the only international organization which brings together employers, workers and governments. When it meets at its headquarters in Geneva, delegations from each of its 135 members come in three parts and, in theory at least, each part acts independently of the others. Together they have produced a long list of conventions and recommendations on different aspects of relations between employer and employee. Not all of them have been fully complied with by any means, but there is no question that they have influenced legislation in a large number of countries. In Britain, for instance, legislation in the past few years on such subjects as maritime employment, arbitrary dismissal and equal pay bas taken account of conventions adopted by the ILO.

American dissatisfaction with the ILO is expressed most strongly by the AFL/CIO, the main union grouping in the United States, and has been brewing for several years. In 1970 the United States cut off

a time because of complaints Union and other communist countries. The latest crisis came to a head in November, 1975, when Dr Kissinger, then Secretary of State, wrote a letter to the ILO giving the statutory two years' notice of the United States's intention of withdrawing.

His letter made four complaints about the ILO. He criticized the politicization of the organization, reflected in criticized Israel for its treatment of the Arabs in the occupied territories. He accused the ILO of being selective in the countries it censured for the violation of human rights. He argued that with the increasing membership of developing countries, and the presence of the communist countries, the principle of tripartite representation was being eroded, because groups supposed to represent workers or em-ployers voted the way their governments told them. Finally, he said that due process was being abandoned because of disregard for the ILO's own conciliation procedures, seen as a way of filtering out political issu*es*.

Many other delegations, not least the CBI and the TUC in Britain, agree with much of the American case. But they argue, with some reason, that the best way to deal with the ILO's shortcomings is not to turn one's back and walk out ; reforms should be carried out from within. They are also concerned that the

American walkout will weaken the case for a "western" approach to employment problems, particularly at a time when the ILO is giving most of its attention to the countries of the developing world. They tried to influence their counterparts in the United States, but without success. When it came to the point, the AFL/CIO and the United States Chamber of Commerce were both in favour of withdrawal, and they overrode objections from the State Department when the issue was brought before President Carter.

The decision was an unfortunate one, and it is to be hoped that the Americans will change their minds before too long and return to the ILO. The organization, after all, reflects the world as it is, like it or not, and it has even shown some response to American complaints. Since the letter from Dr Kissinger there have been no resounding political resolutions of the sort that the Americans, and others, object to—a sign that strong words, spoken judiciously by a country that wields the influence of the United States, can have their effect. At a time when the Americans are showing more concern than ever before for the developing world, as well as for human rights, it is strange that they should walk out of an organization that is very much involved in both. At one time, there was similar pressure for them to leave the United Nations itself, because of frustration with the Third World, but it was resisted. It is a pity they have not taken the same line over the

Hanging Turner's paintings From Mr Derck Chittock

Sir. It may be debatable whether or not Somerset House is a suitable place in which to honour the debt we one to Turner. But I think some of the technical objections raised hy the Tate Gallery Trustees to its possible use should be put in

It is only in the last few decades that picture conservation standards reached the punctilious heights demanded by the scientific staff of our leading galleries. These standards reflect an increasing knowledge in the care of paintings. But it should be remembered that all Turner's paintings, apart from a number of specific water colours, have survived for a century and a half without the help of sophisti-

cated technology. On the other hand permanent and irreversible damage has been done on many Turners by bad restora-tion. Some of this damage was recently demonstrated in a lecture to members of the Turner Society by Mr Hackney of the Tate Gallery restoration department. No damage to a Torner painting seems ever to have been caused by fire or lack of humidity control.

It was also clear from this lecture, which was concerned with the palatings, that however hazard is always present due to Turner's use of thin glazing layers of oil with perhaps a resinous medium. Most people would accept the risks involved in cleaning as heing slight and more than out-weighed by the fact that the public me thus entitled to see works in pristine condition and without the adverse effects of dirt and yellowing varnish. However, by the same token, the Tate Gallery Trustees should consider taking some risk in other directions if it means that he so doing more of Turner's work will he made available to the public. Finally, if Somerset House does present a fire bazard to paintings. I am left wondering why the Department of the Environment and the Tate Gallery Trustees did not protest long ago against the persistent use of the building by people. Yours faithfully DEREK CHITTOCK. Oak Hill Road.

Sevenoaks, Kent.

From Mr Richard Luce, MP jor Shoreham (Conservative) Sir. Your editorial and Lord Chalfont's article (October 31) on South Africa highlight the agonising choice which now faces the Western

Britain and South Africa

nations with regard to their rela-tions with South Africa. I have just returned from a parliamentary visit to the United Nations and it is clear that we now face a crunch decision as to how we can best contribute to the prospects of peaceful evolution between the races in South Africa.

For the recent acts of repression the South African Government and the consequent decision of the Western Powers to support a mandatory arms embargo lead us to the crossroads. Do we take the sign-post which is marked "sanctions and isolation" or do we take the direction marked "dialogue and contact"? Which of these two approaches is most likely to contribute to the reconciling of the fears and aspirations of the Europeans, the Coloureds and the Africans and to bring about peace-

ful change? I have no doubt that we stand a better chance of making a construcrive contribution by the policy of contact. But for those of us who advocate such an approach, we must insist that Britain uses her influence positively if it is to be credible. Britain has a large investment in South Africa. By being in the vanguard of good employment practical. tices. British firms can do much to enhance the position of Africans and

to set the trend for the improve-ment of earnings, social conditions, training, housing and education. The British Government has

established a code of practice to which British companies in South Africa are expected to adhere, The European Economic Community have now accepted a code of conduct covering all member countries.

The British Government must take a major lead in deciding with European countries and business leaders how we can put teeth into these codes of practice. For this could force the pace of change.

We must make it clear to South Africa that a failure to advance the political and economic position of the Africans would be contrary to our joint interests and would play into the hands of the Soviet Union. But let us do this in a manner

which is constructive and statesmanlike, and humble in the sense that cannot dictate the precise nature of the solution. Yours faithfully, RICHARD LUCE, Joint Secretary, Conservative Foreign Affairs

Committee. House of Commons.

Coeducation at Cambridge

From Mr Nicholas Tyndall Sir, Women at Jesus (letter, October 27) will be nothing new, for the college was previously the numery of St Radegund. How appropriate it would now be for the college to revert to its original name of The College of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St John the Evangelist and the Glorious Virgin St Radegund. Let us hope history will not

repeat itself, for apparently discipline in the numery became more and more lax till only two nuns were left and one of those had a bad reputation! Yours faithfully. NICHOLAS TYNDALL, 22 Hillmorton Road, Rugby, Warwickshire.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The law and race discrimination

From Mr Mark Bonham Carter

Sir, There is room for serious and genuine debate on the limits of legislative competence and on the extent to which the law can be usefully employed to tackle social problems. One such area is race rela-tions and there are grounds for scepticism about the effectiveness of the law in this field in the US and the UK. The debate was not seriously joined by Mr Butt in his article with the somewhat bizarre and sensational heading "Immigraand sensational heading "Immigration and racialism: the monsters are just waiting to fight" (October 27). He does not appear to be familiar with the legislation in question, with the reports of the Race Relations Board, nor with the studies of PEP which has surveyed on two separate occasions the extent of the discrimination which the law is intended to check.

Legislation on incitement to racial

Legislation on incitement to racial hatred is a much more debatable topic about which L personally, have doubts, particularly in its present form. But it must be pointed out, not for the first time, that this was never a matter for the Race Relations Board, nor is it now a responsibility of the Commission for Racial Equality. It was and is a matter for the police and the Attorney-General.

Mr Butt asks us to believe that race relations has become a danger because it has been built up "over several decades by the hegemony of 'liberal' opinion". Discrimination sgainst minorities, racial prejudice and bad race relations are not confined to this country nor to the present day. One need look no further than prever Germany, the US, Northern Ireland or South Africa. I find it difficult to believe that Mr. Butt thinks that it was the begemony of "liberal" opinion which produced anti-semitism and the concentration camps in Nazi Germany, the condition of the blacks in the US, discrimination against Catholics in Northern Ireland or the present policies of the South African Government.

He is of course right when he says that good race relations " can only be achieved by encouraging each man's sense of his dury to other men". But how is this to be achieved? Mr Butt offers no answer, not least because he has not ettempted to imagine, still less to seeses, the consequences of consistent and substantial discrimination on the individuals or groups who are its victims. The evidence at our disposal indicates fairly con-clusively that if things are left alone, they get worse and that in race relations a policy of laisser faire merely helps to establish and entreuch discriminatory practices.

Race relations in this country are not wholly bad. There are a number of symptoms of change for the better though these namedly do not receive as much publicity as the bad news. What is indubitable is that we have not kept un this country or wholly or largely educated here, whose parents emigrated from the Caribhean or the sub-continent of India. To me these expectations not less, but more needs to be done as was recommended by the CPRS report, which, if I were to use Mr Butt's highly coloured language, I would say was suppressed. What does not help to evert the dangers Mr Butt foresees is an article such as his. Yours faithfully, MARK BONHAM CARTER,

49 Victoria Road, W8. October 31.

Tobacco substitutes

From Mr S. E. Arnold

Sir, In his letter published on Octo-ber 28 the Chairman of Gallaher bar 28 the Chairman or Gaman. Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of the American company, American The said, and I quote: Brand's Inc. said, and I quote:
"The tobacco industry must take a
large part of the blame" for the
disappointing performance of substitutes.

Mr Stewart-Moore is entitled to his opinion but he in no way speaks for the tobacco industry, certainly not for Imperial Tobacco Limited. Further, his letter is inaccurate when he suggests that smokers were being encouraged to move away from low tar smoking. Our advertis-ing copy for the Wills brand Presi-dent had been designed to do exactly what we understood from Dr Owen, when he was Minister of State at the Department of Health and Social Security, the Government wanted us to do, ie, to use our brand switching powers to lead smokers down the ter scale. We have never as a company suggested that anybody should move up the cools. up the scale.

Mr Stewart-Moore is also incorrect when he states that his is the only company that has tested both NSM and Cytrel. We have thoroughly tested both materials and chose to market only products containing NSM.

Yours faithfully, S. E. ARNOLD. Secretary, Imperial Tobacco Limited, Lombard Street, Bristol

November 1.

German extremists

From Mr Allan Yahraes

Sir, An observer on the scene likes the conclusion of your lead article (October 19) "A good day for the Germans" without caring for the long, laborious course you took to reach it. The effect is that of giving one and a half cheers for German democracy—which would be condescending and unfair. How many of your readers can guess from your hundreds of words on a German centre, hard beset by left and right, this fact: that neither of the latter extremes has elected a single member of Parliament in vears?

Yours sincerely, ALLAN YAHRAES, 7 Pregci Strasse, Bonn. Germany. October 21.

The revaluation of sterling

From Mr Rowland J. Gee Sir, The attitude of the CBI towards a strong pound is frankly defeatist and negative.

Just for how long will they think that a weak currency automatically generates sales rather than the emphasis being on good products produced well, on time and up to date in terms of design? Do they think that fine companies, in our own field, such as Burberry's, Aquascurum and Daks sell abroad so successfully because the pound is weak and that if it appreciated by 5 per cent sales would suffer? Non-

This country's experience of ex-cellent imported luxury goods from West Germany and Japan totally puts paid to their argument.
Rather than whine at the Government they should preach to manufacturing industry to technically improve their output and productive

performance so that it equals the standard of foreign goods, then we can be proud of an equally strong currency. Yours faithfully, ROWLAND J. GEE. Director, Cecil Gee International,

39-45 Shafresbury Avenue, W1. November 1. Buying U S securities

From Mr Andrew Dalton Sir, Mr Healey may boast of the tax cuts announced last Wednesday but for sheer mismanagement the profor sheer mismanagement the pro-ceedings in the foreign exchange market, which culminated in the revaluation of sterling by 4.1 per-cent today (October 31), is amazing. For the last nine months, almost alone among major central banks, the Bank of England has been sup-porting the United States dollar. In the first nine months of this year foreigness hought almost \$17 thouforeigners bought almost \$17 thou-sand million worth of United States Government Securities, but the major foreign buyer was no OPEC country but the United Kingdom. During the first seven months of this

vear (data is not ver available for August and September) the Bank of England bought 55.1 thousand mil-lion of United States Government Securities, nearly 46 per cent of all foreign net purchases. These British nurchases were

These Writish nurchases were nearly twice as much as the nurchases by all of OPEC but together and in Tuly alone this country houser S1 thousand million of the \$1.4 thousand million acquired by foreign accounts. Not content with financing our own budget deficit the Government has been financing a substantial proportion of the United States deficit also. States deficit also.

Assuming British Government Wavelengths ment Securities have amounted to \$8 thousand million so far this year
—and the figure could well be
higher, and ignoring the appreciation of sterling against the United States dollar up to yesterday, the cost simply of today's 4.1 per cent revaluation of sterling is equivalent to £180 million on this one invest-

ment alone. Not bad for a day's work. Yours faithfully, ANDREW DALTON, Political Officer, The Bow Group, 240 High Holborn, WC1.

A permanent wages policy

From Lard Brown Sir, Professor Jaques in his letter of October 27, commenting on your (October 24), October 27, commenting on your excellent article (October 24), focuses on the essential point about future wage policy. We must have a national long term policy. Does anyone seriously believe that next July we shall be any more secured july we shall be any more secured. against violent wage inflation than at the ending of phase 2? It is at the enting of prise 2? It is absurd to assume that we require a national policy only in selected years and that somehow everything will be all right in other years.

The principles governing a future wage policy must be:

(a) Government must decide the total available for increasing the national wage bill.

(b) The TUC and other powerful

groups of employees must be invited to decide the differential division of this total between the nation's different types of employment. No other way of dividing the kitty in a way which will stick is available.

is available.
(c) Within the parameters so established, each local unit of every large employing enterprise must be given the authority to split up their local kitty in any manner which can be agreed upon by representatives of all groups in that local unit. (d) The principle must be recognized that if a sustainable adjustment to a pattern of differential pay is to be achievable, then it is essential to obtain agreement to the adjustment not only of those

who benefit from it, but also of who benefit from it, but also of those who do not.

Through the process of delegation described it becomes possible to maintain a total control over the national wage bill without freezing differentiels—the cause of so much bitterness and strife at the present. Yours faithfully,

WILFRED BROWN, 23 Prince Albert Road, NW1.

Composers' rights

From the Chairman of the General Council, Performing Right Society Sir, It may well be, as suggested by Mr Clement Freud and others (October 29), that the company law tion to shareholders require amendment. But there is no justification for their criticism of the Council of the Performing Right Society, if the full facts are understood.

The PRS members entitled to vote are those whose royakies from the Society have reached a certain level—and this level is published. The disclosure of the names of voting members therefore involves divulging the names of those members who have, and, more particularly, those who have not, achieved a known level of fivancial success. The member named in Mr Freud's letter—Mr Trevor Lyttleton—requested a list of the voting members. He was informed that his request would be considered at the next meeting of the General Council but he did not wait for this to happen: he applied at once to the High Court for an Order that the list be furnished to him. His application was refused by a Registrar of the Court. Mr Lyttleton then appealed to a Judge who reversed the Registrar. In the light of these differences of judicial opinion, and following counsel's advice, the PRS Council wishes to obtain an authoritical subjects of the court of the court of the present of the council wishes to obtain an authoritical council c The disclosure of the names of vot-Council wishes to obtain an authoritative ruling from the Court of Appeal and this appeal is now pend-ing. In a paid advertisement in your newspaper on September 21, 1977, Mr Lyttleme amounced that he would not contest the appeal. The decision to appeal was taken on the issue of safeguarding confi-dentiality in respect of members'

professional earnings. It was not taken to prevent Mr Lyttleton (or any other member) from lobbying the voting members; indeed the Council itself circulated to the voting members two communications from Mr Lyttleton prior to the June. Moreover, on that occasion an opportunity was given to non-voting members to make their views known; and Mr Lyttleton was among those who spoke. When his resolutions were then put to the vote they were totally rejected, without even finding a seconder.

The letter from Mr Freud and short also refer to the Sociard.

others also refers to the Society's 1976 administration expenses of £2.9 million. This represents 13.6 per cent of the Society's total receipts and is easily the lowest expense ratio of all major performing right societies in the world. The letter also states that £152.866 was expended during 1976 on loans to everytive officers. This is not was expended during 1976 on loans to executive officers. This is not correct: the figure quoted represents outstanding balances of loans made to senior staff over the past nine years; during 1976 there were ner repayments of some £20,000.

Desiled figure in and other in Detailed financial and other in-formation, far in excess of the statutory requirements, about all aspects of the Society's work has been published in the Performing Right Yearbook 1977 and in other documents issued to members. A copy of the Yearbook will gladly be made available to anyone who wishes to examine this matter

Yours truly, ALAN FRANK. Chairman, General Council, Performing Right Society Ltd, 29-33 Berners Street, W1. October 31.

A feast for Pharisees From Mr Edwin G. Noble

Sir, Your leader "A feast for Pharisees" (October 29) seems to confuse two issues—the quality of Christian charity we should show to the faults of others and the qualifications we can rightly expect for particular jobs. A person who suffers from dyslexia is not thereby less worth while as a human being, but you would probably not offer him a post as a proof reader (short though you appear to be of that necessary help). However much we sympathize with the plight of kleptomaniacs, we would be unwise

to make one a treasurer.

When we choose the best 600 people to govern us out of a population of 60 million we are entitled to expect them to be outstanding in every respect. We should of course be hypocrites if we did not accept the same standards as we apply to them, but the best should be very good indeed, just as, while we should all aim at literacy and lucidity, we expect nothing short of excellence from one chosen to write leaders in The Times. Thus it is possible to be full of Christian charity towards a politician and yet feel that there are other people better fitted to perform the task.

Yours sincerely. EDWIN G. NOBLE, 83 South Drive, Choritonville, Manchester. October 31.

From Mrs Daise Hall Sir, How good to read of your atti-tude to the predicament of Mr Jeremy Thorpe and his family. The media are making the most of the possible homosexual relationship between Mr Thorpe and Mr Norman

Scott, whereas it is the possible involvement of Mr Thorpe in the plot to murder Mr Scott which is the serious crime, needing investiga-tion. Mr Thorpe has publicly denied both these allegations. Surely now be and his family should be left

I only hope that your leading article (October 29) will encourage people and the rest of the media to take your fair and compassionate

Yours faithfully, DAISY HALL, 173 Princes Gardens, W3. October 30.

From Mr Christopher Layden

Sir, The spirit in which you view Mr Thorpe's plight (leader, October 29) is wise and charitable. God knows the man has suffered, and there is no Christian but must have sympathy with him. Yet politicians invite judgment, and it is perfectly right for the public to try to find out about those matters which will affect their choice. Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER LAYDEN, 53 Dublin Street, Edinburgh. October 29.

From Mr David Morgan and Mr W. Harvey Cox Sir. Are we alone in thinking that the real scandal of the Thorpe affair is his treatment by the mass media? Yours.

DAVID MORGAN, W. HARVEY COX, Department of Political Theory and Institutions, The University of Liverpool. Roxby Building, Liverpool.

Changing the BBC

Sir, Your report (October 28) of the BBC's intention to relegate Radio 4 to the long wave band next year cannot be allowed to pass without protest. What proportion of the radio sets now used by your readers is in fact equipped for long wave reception? None of the four sets in this household happens to be. Surely this is the first step in a plan to kill off Radio 4. Yours faithfully,

IAN BAILLIE, 4 Grange Loan Gardens, Edinburgh. October 29.

From the Reverend Caryl Micklem Sir, When we first heard of the proposed changes, Radio Three's loss of 464m was pur down to the

proposed changes, Radio Three's loss of 464m was put down to the conference table intransigence of Albania. Now you report (October 28) that the scheme is designed "to make the services available to more people ".

people.".

Since most listeners to Radio Three "will need to tune to VHF st night", that programme will become unobtainable after dark by most motorists and many valley dwellers, and unendurable by those (of whom I cannot believe I am the only one) who are subject on VHP to violent oscillation of signal intensity, due to wave-echo, every time an airliner passes—every 90

seconds here.

We are becoming all too well accustomed to being deprived of the ameniries of civilized life one by one. It is made even more sickening when our loss is presented to us are a gain loss is presented to us are a gain loss as a g sented to us as a gain and we have to pay £3m for the privilege. Could they not have waited till 1984? Yours faithfully.

CARYL MICKLEM, The Manse. Allen Street, W8.

Stationery Office costs From Professor R. J. C. Atkinson

Sir, Mr Albert's article on the Stationery Office (October 24, p3) prompts me to hope that the reform of its accounting procedures may lead to a reduction in the apparent overhead costs of some of its scholarly publications. As a member of two Royal Commissions on Ancient and Historical Monuments. I know that the retail price of a typical volume of a county *Inventory* of archaeological sites and historic buildings is currently set by HMSO at around £25. The actual cost of at around £25. The actual cost of printing and binding is about one quarter of this sum, and the bookselier's margin accounts for another quarter. The remaining half represents overhead costs, and this despite the fact that much of the editorial work which would otherwise fall to the publisher is undertaken by the Commissioners and taken by the Commissioners and their permanent staff.

These Inventories are essential and architectural and social torians, but at these prices few individual scholars can afford them, and even academic libraries must think twice before they buy. Thus their svailability is restricted, sales diminish and printing runs of future volumes are curtailed, so that an even larger share of the fixed over-

heads is borne by each copy: a classic example of a vicious spiral. Though I write without their knowledge, I know that my fellow Commissioners will share my hope that a better informed apportionment of costs will allow the Stationory Office in future to sell these volumes at rather less than four times their cost of production.

Yours faithfully,

R. J. C. ATKINSON, The Old Rectory, Cardiff. October 24.

Silencing burglar alarms From Mr E. M. Nicholson

Six, Following my letter which appeared on September 5, 1975, in which I confess to brutally silencing an uncontrolled burglar alarm, some enlightening correspondence ensued. Our Chelsea MP, Nicholas Scott, elicited from the Department of Fravironment that there had seen Scott, elicited from the Department of Environment that they had some action under consideration. My own more drastic action heralded two years of peace and quiet in Upper Cheyne Row, but the nuisance is now breaking out again. This very weekend we had to cut the cable of one of these clamorous devices, with the telephoned permission of the absent owner, and shortly afterwards another which went on non-stop for at least seven hours, with the usual inaction by the local police, was finally silenced after police, was finally silenced after midnight by a party breaking down the front door of the house in question. (Perhaps I should add that, while warmly approving, I was not a participant this time.) Pending effective parliamentary intervention. I am even more convinced that the would-be law abiding citizen is left with no realistic alternative if he is to vindicate his natural and common law right to peace, quiet and sleep.

May I again express the hope

that among the coming crop of private member's Bills will be one making it an offence to install one of these wilful noise pollution devices (1) without a tested cut out to stop it within at most half an hour, on pain of £100 fine for every hour of din thereafter, and (2) without posting on the door a notice of trustworthy keyholders who can be contacted close at hand (if not the police) to turn off one of these highly unreliable mechanisms which goes wrong in the owner's absence. Lawyers and bureaucrats who are still thinking in terms of long winded complaint procedures had better forget them. The offence against public peace is immediate, strident and incessant, and any acceptable remedy must be immediate too. If those who profit by creating this public nuisance have not the wit to get together fast and find a way to end it they will only have themselves to blame if the final solution entails putting them

Yours faithfully. E. M. NICHOLSON. 13 Upper Cheyne Row, SW3. October 30.

Katie Stewart Giving the game away

Casserole of pheasant is excel-lent for a dinner party, because it gers over the problem of carving the birds at the table. A slow cooking method such as this means you know the pheasant will come out tender and not at all dry, and it does not matter whether the birds are young or old tyou cannot always tell, if they are ready trussed from the butcher or supermarket). A good sized pheasant will provide 3-4 por-tions, but on average the birds

the vegetables. Let the mixture cool, then pour it over a brace of trussed pheasant. Leave for several hours, turning and bast-ing the birds occasionally, or even overnight if you wish. Lift the birds from the marinading liquid and tie 4 thin

back bacon rashers over the breast of each one and put them

in a casserole dish. Pour over the liquid and vegetables, cover with a lid and slow cook them for 2 hours in an oven at 300deg F or gas mark 2. Baste occasionally and when quite tender, lift from the casserole, remove the bacon and carve them into nice pieces for serving. Press the vegetables and liquid through a vegerable mill and put into a saucepan.
Blend 1 teaspoon flour into } pint soured cream (or use fresh double cream soured with a teasnoon of lemon juice) and slowly stir into the venetable mixture. Bring to a simmer, stirring to get a smooth sauce. When thickened, check seasoning and pour over the cut-up pheasant flesh. You can do the same thing using apple, celery and onion—the acid sharpness of the puree mixed with cream makes a delicious sauce for the birds.

Other cooks I know follow a offered for sale are smaller than this.

Try slicing, very thinly, 2 carrots, 1 onion and 2 celery stalks and put them in a bowl. Add a bay leaf and a seasoning of salt and pepper. Now bring to the boil in a saucepan 4 tablespoons wine vinegar and 4 tablespoons water (2 pint mixed together) and pour this over



quantity and flavour you like and then thicken it into a gravy with a blend of butter and flour. Check the seasoning and use this gravy as a medium for rcheating the pheasant before serving. Long spurs on the back of

the legs on a cock pheasant indicates an older bird. It is hard to tell with the hen pheasaut, but the beak should be supple and if you hold the full weight of the bird on the lower beak it should bend or break. If you intend to roast pheasant you should be fussy

well and reduce to get the mark 6-7) and roast for about quantity and flavour you like 45 minutes, basting with hot melted butter. minutes before the cooking time is up, remove the bacon rashers, baste the birds and dredge lightly with a little flour (a flour dredger will prevent and from being to heavy vent you from being to heavy-handed), baste again and replace in the oven to com-plete cooking. This is called "frothing" and encourages the

> before serving. Roast game should be served Roast game should be served with a thin gravy made by deglazing the pan with a well flavoured giblet stock and perhaps a squeeze of lemon juice to sharpen the taste. Most people omit the traditional trimmings of fried breadcrumbs and game chips and instead serve one lovely vegetable like braised celery, sweet and sour

skiu to brown and crisp a little

is nice with pheasant and so is a puree of fresh chestnuts. I a purée of fresh chesmuts. I have had cold roast pheasant carved into slices for a buffet supper, served with a cold chesmut puree and a delicious winter salad of shredded red cabbage, grated carrot and onion tossed in oil and vinegar dressing. Any leftover pheasant from a must can make a second from a roast can make a second appearance if you dress it in a well-flavoured sauce and serve

it in pastry cases. If you have a reasonable supply and plan to freeze them, remember that they must hang before freezing. In muggy weather 45 days will be enough, but when the weather goes but when the weather gets frosty and cold it can be as much as a formight. Pluck a tuft of feathers from just above the tail and they should come out quite easily.

Pheasant pate One bird will go farther if you make it into a pate. This mixture includes belly of pork to keep it moist and chicken livers to give it a darker colour. Serves 8

2lb belly of pork; lb chicken livers; 1 glass dry white wine ; l egg yoke ; 2 level teaspoons salt ; Freshly milled pepper; 4 juniper berries ; 4oz streaky bacon rashers. Rub the surface of the pheasant

I pheasant ;

with butter and put to roast in a hot oven (400°F or gas 6) for about 20 mieutes. Cool, then lift the partly roasted flesh from the carcass. Trim and trim the chicken livers.

Mince the pheasant flesh, pork belly and chicken livers together (once through the machine is sufficient for a coarse texture). Pass a slice of bread through the machine last

coarse texture). Pass a slice of bread through the machine last of all to get out all the bits and stop mincing when the bread appears. Place all the meat in a bowl and add the wine, egg yolk, salt, a season. ing of pepper and the crushed juniper berries. Mix all the ingredients well, your hand is very good for this. Let the mixture stand for about one hour in a cool place.

Pack the mixture into a large greased loaf tin or terrine dish and if you care to put two bay leaves in the base before putting in the mixture, they ! lb fat bacon or streaky will turn out on top. Cover the mixture with the trimmed bacon rashers and a buttered paper or foil. Set in a larger roasting tin with about one inch of water up the sides. Place in a slow oven (300°F or gas 2) and bake for two hours. Allow to cool overnight under a weight and then refrigerate. You will find that a quantity of far rises to the surface and this can be lifted away along with the bacon rasher when ready to serve—turn out and serve in slices with bot toast or a crisp salad.

Basic recipe: game pie

flesh from the carcass. 171m A raised game pie could make and cut up the belly of pork A raised game pie could make a handsome centrepiece for a mould. Using knuckles, press the pork rind if you ask him—buffet supper table. The shiny the pastry from the centre to the sides to get rid of any air the sides to get rid of any air

2-31b hare pieces to provide about 111b cut up hare quantity will depend on the pieces of hare, the back and hind legs provide most meat;

pint wine vinegar made up to pint with water: onion sliced;

2 bay leaves;

l small onion or shallor minced; Salt and freshly milled pepper; 8 prunes, soaked and then blanched in boiling water for about 3 minutes to loosen the

pint jellied stock-see recipe. For the hot water crust pastry 12oz plain flour;

1 level teaspoon salt; 40z lard or white cooking fat; } pint liquid (milk and water

Place the hare pieces in a basin and cover with the vinegar and water mixture. Add the sliced onion and bay leaves and leave with a plate over the top (to hold hare under the marinade) for several hours. Drain the hare pieces and pat dry with absorbent paper towelling. Using a sharp knife strip the Using a snarp knie strip the hare flesh from the bones and cut the meat into neat pieces. Place in a basin and add the trimmed and minced fatty bacon, the minced onion, a seasoning of salt and pepper and about 2 tablespoons of the marinade mixture. Remove the prunes stones and add the prunes in chunky pieces. Mix

Sift the flour and salt for the pastry into a bowl. Cut up the fat and put into a saucepan with the liquid. Bring to a brisk boil. Pour at once into the flour and Pour at once into the flour and mix with a wooden spoon to a dough that leaves the side of the basin clean. Turn out and knead lightly to a smooth dough. The pastry will be too hot to handle straight away. Place under the upturned mixing being and leave to year for ing basin and leave to rest for 15-20 minutes. Cut off one third of the pastry for the pie lid and keep warm by replacing under

Put the remaining pastry in-

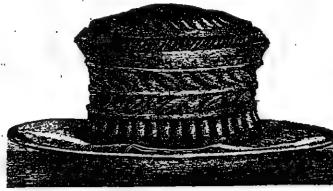
bubbles. Then, when base is covered, mould the pastry up the sides. Put the four fingers of one hand inside the tin and press the pastry, moulding it up the sides. Make sure there is no thick layer left between the base and sides of the tin and that the pastry has not been pressed too thinly on the sides. Bring the pastry right up and allow it to generously overlap the rim of the tin.

Brush the inside of the pie and the pie rim with lightly beaten egg and then pack the hare filling into the pie. Roll out the reserved piece of pastry for the lid and cover the pie (remember that a good seal is achieved by purting together one damp and one dry surface). Press edges well together to seal. Trim pastry edges with scissors but not too close to the rim of the mould—leave about inch of overlap and then with the hand gently ease this with the hand gently ease this inwards and upwards so that you have a kind of rim. Pinch or flute the edges keeping them up so that the mould will be easy to get off after the pastry has set. Reroll and cut the trimmings for a decoration—the easiest way is to cut strips of pastry at an angle (rather like angelica) to make leaves and mark veins on each leaf with the back of a knife. Brush the pie top with egg, then place on the decoration with egg. Cut a cross decoration with egg. Cut a cross in the centre to ventilate the pie and tuck the corners underneath.

Place in the centre of a hot oven (400 deg F or gas 7) and bake for 20 minutes. Then lower the heat to moderate (350 deg F or gas 4) and bake for a further 2 hours. During baking, brush with egg to make the pastry shiny and brown. Aftr 11 hours the pastry will have set, so loosen and remove the mould—set a round cake tin on a can of fruit and gently ease the outside of the tin down.

down.

Erush the sides of the pie with beaten egg and replace in the oven for the remaining 30 minutes cooking time. When cooked let the pie cool. Make up a jellied stock by soaking 2 level teaspoons gelatine powder in 1 tablespoon cold water and then dissolve this in 1 point stock made from the harm bones simmered with sliced I pint stock made from the large bones simmered with sliced carror, onions and a little salt. When cold but not set pour in through the hole in the pia—a large olping tube makes a good funnel. The jelly is necessary because it fills up the spaces where the meat has shrunk and holds it together for slicin. Let stand until the jelly has set before cutting.



Late supper for four

Reserve this dish for an occasion when you want something original, but not too rich —perhaps a late super dish after an evening out. Here is something that can be partly prepared in advance and takes only a few minutes to heat through and serve. A mild curry flavour is one that you will find goes well with most shellfish and you can use peeled prawns in place of

Serves 4 2 small onions; 1 tablespoon olive oil: tablespoon

pint stock or water: 1 rounded teaspoon trated tomato puree : i tablespoon sweet chutney or

Juice of 1 lemon; 1lb frozen scampi, thawed loz butter; 1 (4 fl oz) carron double

Peel and finely chop one of the onions. Heat the oil in a

the heat. Strain the sauce into a small bowl-up to this stage you can prepare the recipe in advance. Peel the remaining onion and chop finely. Heat the butter in a frying pan and add the onion. Fry gently to soften and then add the prepared scampithen add the prepared scampi. Toss the scampi in the hot butter for a few moments and the flesh will firm up and turn slightly pink. Add the curry sauce (and any juices that have run from the thawed scampi too) and bring just to simmering point. Cook gently for 1-2 minutes and then stir in the cream. Blend well and just heat through again before drawing

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sently for about 5 minutes. Keep the pan covered so that the onion becomes tender but

does not brown. Stir in the curry powder and cook gently few minutes to draw the flavour, then stir in the flour.

mixture comes to a simmer.

Add the tomato pures, chutney or jam and lemon juice. Simmer, covered with a lid, for

about 5 minutes, then draw off

Gradually add the water and stir

through again before drawing off the heat. Serve hot with buttered rice. You could follow this up with a crisp green salad and for dessert offer a fruit salad or fresh orange and grapefruit segments layered in a bowl with sugar to draw the juices— well chilled this would make a most refreshing end to the

Quick recipe: taramosalata

be—with the consistency of whipped cream. Besides pro-viding a delicious first course with hot toast, taramosalata makes a very good sandwich filling with crisp lettuce and can also be blended with hard boiled egg yolks to use as a stuffing for an egg salad—top with a garnish of black olives. If you have any difficulty removing the skin from smoked cod's roe, place the roe in a basin and pour over boiling water to cover. Let it stand for a few minutes and you will find that the skin has loosened and will peel off quite easily. .

lb smoked cod's roe;

tablespoons lemon juice;

1 tablespoon finely chopped

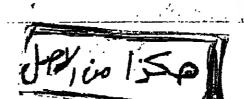
Freshly milled pepper to taste.

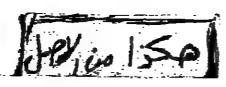
roe and cut the roe up into small pieces. Place in a basin and spoon over two tablespoons of the oil Leave to stand for 15 minutes so that the pieces of roe soften. Then stir to mix and press the roe through a sieve back into the mixing basin. Beat until smooth. From now on you treat the mixture rathe like a mayonnaise, adding tablespoon of the lemon juice and then gradually beating in the oil one tablespoon at a time. After half the oil bas been added, bear in the rest of the lemon juice and finally the remaining oil. Stir in the chopped parsley and online and online of the state chopped parsies and odom aled seasoning of treshly milled pepper to taste. Chill until ready to serve. This keeps very well and ustes eyen better after a day or so cover with clear film wrap when you put it in the refrigerator otherwise it in the refrigerator otherwise foods could take the strong

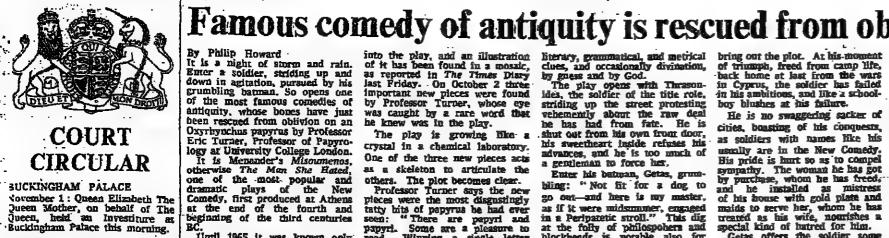
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COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE November 1: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, on behalf of The Queen, held an Investiture at Buckingham Palace this morning. CLARENCE HOUSE

from frequent quotations and four frequent quotations and four enigmatic scraps of papyrus. In that year leaves of a papyrus book containing parts of acts three and four and the very end were published. Since then three more papyrl have been recruited November 1: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this afternoon risited Queen Mary's London Needlework Guild at St James's

Mrs Patrick Campbell-Preston was in attendance.

Mrs Patrick Campbell-Preston
has succeeded the Lady Elizabeth
Basset as Lady-in-Waiting to Her
Majesty.

KENSINGTON PALACE November 1: The Dake of Gluucester addressed the Annual General Meeting of The Historic Houses Association at Queen Elizabeth Hall this morning.

Afterwards His Royal Highness was present at the Design Council's press conference to launch the Farm Buildings Catalogue at Agriculture House, Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE November 1: The Duke of Kent, Colonel-in-Chief, The Royal Regi-ment of Fusiliers, today visited the 1st Battalion at Fingringhoe

Ranges, Colchester.

His Royal Highness, who
travelled in an aircraft of The
Queen's Fright, was attended by
Lieutenant-Commander Richard

Princess Margaret will visit Manchester on December 1. In the afternoon, as President of the NSPCC, she will open the Battered Child Unit at Wyunstay Grove, Fallowfield. In the evening she will attend a dimer and ball at the Piccadilly Hotel in sid of the NSPCC.

The Duke of Kent will attend the silver jubiles concert of the Royal Choral Society at the Festival Hall on November 14. Princess Alexandra will be present at a Jubilee Youth Evening, in aid of The Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal, at Ossett Town Hall, West Yorkshire, on November 24.

James Duffus of Delclaverhouse has been admitted to King Edward VII's Hospital for Officers

Birthdays today

Lord Balogh, 72; Mr Mischel Cherniavsky, 84; Sir Jack Cohen, 81; Mr James Coltart, 74; Admiral Sir Victor Crutchiev, VC, 84; Sir William Ogg, 86; the Right Rev G. D'O. Snow, 74; Sir Geoffrey Todd, 77.

Latest appointments Latest appointments include:

Mr John Drummond, aged 42, assistant head of music and arts, BBC Television, to be director of the Edinburgh Festival, He will take over from Mr Perer Diamand atter next year's testival Mr John Groves, Chief of Public Relations, Ministry of Defence, to be Director of Information in the Department of Health and Social Security, in succession to Peter Brown, who is retiring.

Christening

The infant son of Mr and Mrs Charles May was christened George Hamish Seaburne by Canon Kenneth Boddy at St Oswin's Church, Wylam, Northumberland, on October 30. The godparents are Captain Michael Portman, Mr Benjamin Speke. Mr Charles Pedrick, Mrs Guy May, Mrs Dominick Martelli and Mrs John Cooke-Hurle.

Gallantry award

The Queen's Commendation for Valuable Service in the Air has valuable service in the Air has been awarded to Leading Air-crewman Colin Geoffrey Rimmer, aged 26, of the Royal Naval Air station, Culdrose, Cornwall. He was lowered into the sea to search wreckage after two helicopters

Memorial services

Bishop G. Clarkson A memorial service for Bishop George Clarkson was held in Guidford Cathedral yesterday. George Clarkson was held in Guildford Cathedral yesterday. The Dean of Guildford officiated, assisted by Canon L. E. Tanner (sub-dean), who read the lesson, and Canon R. W. Gibbin. Sir Humphrey Mynors gave an address, and the Bishop or Dorking, also representing the Bishop of Guildford, pronounced the biessing. Canon Leyland Bird, representing the Bishop of Salisbury, the Archdeacon of Surrey, the Archdeacon of Dorking, Bishop Pike, Canon D. W. Bryant. Bishop Pike, Canon D. W. Bryant, Canon J. J. Cresswell, Canon C. Davey and Canon D. C. Gray were robed and in the sanctuary. The Hon R. G. Lyttelton A memorial service for the Hon

Richard Lyttelton was held at St Michael's, Highgate, yesterday. Prebendary Harry Edwards offic tated and save an address, assisted by the Rev J. J. Fielding and Prebendary Donald Mossman. Mr Harold Macmillan, OM, read the lesson. Among others present were:

Were:

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Thomas Lytteiten and Mr Spencer
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Lytteiten, Mrs And Mrs Kumphrey
Lytteiten, Mrs James Hender, Mr H.
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Confirm and Lady Harrison, Mr George
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Duches of Roxburghe Mrs. E. Clive,
Nr and Mrs. Colin Clive, Lady Gascounter, the Hen Mrs Gascoigne, Mr
Dovid Gascoigne
The Downer Duchess of Devenshire,
Elizhe'h Marchinness of Salisbury,
Beryl Countess of Rothes, Earl and

Science report

Oceanography: Tracing heat changes





A memorial service for Professor R. R. Darlington was held in the University Church of Christ the K. K. Darington was neat in the King, Gordon Square, on October 31. Prebendary E. Tinker officiated, and the lesson was read by the Master of Birkbeck College, Dr T. J. Chandler. Professor R. A. Humphreys gave an address. Among those present were: Miss M. V. Darington eighter): Sir Frank Harriey (Vico-Chancellor, London University), Br and Miss R. C. Tress, Professor W. G. Beasley (SOAS), Professor W. G. Beasley (SOAS), Professor W. G. Beasley (SOAS), Professor W. G. Gibbs (Royal Historica) and Misserical Research: Professor J. G. Hoft (Freding University), Professor J. S. Hoft (Freding University), Professor J. H. L. Thompson (H. J. Wilks Sectessastical History Society) and Mire Villa, Professor Joyce Ventage, (Excited University), Professor H. J. Schillard, Professor Master M. H. Schillard, Professor Master of Birkbeck College and Dommer Students.

Set of four Rowlandson etchings fetches £1,200

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent A large collection of lateeighteenth and early-nineteenth-

century prints that had been kept bright in folders achieved unusually high prices at Christie's yesterday. A set of four coloured etchings by Thomas Rowlandson entitled "The high metaled racer", published in 1789, went to Richard Green at £1,200 (estimate £500 to £800).

A pair of highly decorative coloured etchings of flower stilllifes by Jean Baptiste Monnoyer a style of print that has been steadily rising in value, went to a new record at 5920 (estimate £400 to £500). A single coloured aquatint of

a coaching scene after James Pol-lard, "Arrival of the stage coach", published in 1816, was sold for 2500 (estimate 2300 to

Sotheby Mak van Wazy, in Amsterdam, held three picture sales on Monday. The most suc-cessful was devoted to mineteenth cessial was devoted to independing century Dotch pathings, mainly of the romantic lanuscape school. It made \$55.535, with 12 per cent, or 23 out of 116 lots, unsold. A very fine ice skating scene with a windmill and other buildings made \$20.000 amility lastings 200.000. 250,000 guilders (estimate 200,000 to 250,000 guilders) or 555,803. An earlier auction devoted to Old Masters totalled 1478,426, with 36 per cent unsold. The third sale, devoted to The Rague school

Famous comedy of antiquity is rescued from oblivion

remain hitter about the soldier remain butter about the soldier.
But the time-honoured comic trick
of mistaken identification, this
time because of an exchange of
swords, was as effective then as
now. For in the end the soldier
wins the girl.

Life in ancient Athens observed, a long-standing metrical crux resolved; laymen and scholars are solved; laymen and scholars are both gainers from this find. In the Misoumenos Menander inverts the traditional roles of New Comedy in language as sharp as a rapter. And behind is a sting of sympathy for women and other underdogs anoth to the taste of the twentieth century. Scholarship and the stock of human comedy are enriched by this happy discovery.

liberation demo. In the third act her father finds her, apparently unexpectedly. We possess an affecting recognition scene be-tween father and daughter. Both

shut out from his own from door, his sweetheart inside refuses his advances, and he is too much of a gentleman to force het. Enter his batman, Getas, grunbling: "Not fit for a dog to go out—and here is my master, as if it were midsummer, engaged in a Peripatetic stroll." This dig at the folly of philospohers and blockheads is notable also for being the only known instance in Greek of the idiom of weather not fit for a dog. The two sumble about in the imagined dark (Athenian stages, being out of doors, could not be darkened). And their exchanges

Good neighbour: Mr Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services, talking with Mr Donald Hun, of Tooting, at the Atheldene Centre, Wandsworth, yesterday, where he helped to serve lunch to physically handi-

Dinners

Department of Industry

British Insurance Brokers' Association

Department of Industry
Mr Bric Varley, Secretary of
State, Department of Industry,
was host at a dinner held at 1.
Carlton Gardens last night on the
occasion of the retirement of Sir
William Ryland as chairman of
the Post Office Board.

Association
The charman and council of the BFBA gave a dinner last night at Skinners' Hall, London to mark the passing into law of the insurance Brokers (Registration) Act, 1977. Mr John Page, MP, sponsor of the Bill, was guest of horour, and others present included:

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Mrs John Page: Mr Stanley Clinton Davis, MP, and Mrs Clinton Davis, Lord and Latr Banks, Lord and Lady Orr-Ewing, Str Poter and Lady Thornton, Mr and Mrs P. A. R. Brown, and Mr and Mrs M. S. Morris,

The Deputy Lieutenants of Hampshire dined together at the

From the Times of Saturday, Nov 1, 1952
Paris, Oct 31.—The French and Vietnamese offensive north-west-wards along the Red River has encountered a new form of opposition in the typhoon raging in northern Annan, and a steady drizzle over the battlefield for the past 24 hours. Visibility has been greatly reduced and the air force has been able to lend the ground troops only a fraction of the sup-

Latest Wills
Mr Michael Cumbert Cooper, of
Hampstead, left £24,161 net. After
bequests of £800 he left the
residue as a fund to assist young
people up to the age of 20 studying to play classical music and
ballet dancing.
Other estates include (net before
tax paid; tax not disclosed):
Banks, Mr Peter Dresser, of York,

Hampshire Lieutenancy

25 years ago

Latest wills

Primrose League
Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, MP, was
the guest of honour at the annual
luncheon of the Churchill Chapter
and the Ladies' Churchill Chapter
of the Primrose League held at
the Dorchester hotel yesterday.
Lord Mowbray and Stourton,
Chancellor of the Primrose
League, was in the chair and
among those present were Lady
Mowbray and Stourton, Sir
Graham Rowlandson, Mr John
Stokes, MP, and Mrs Julian Ridsdale.

The Duke of Gloucester was in the chair at a press conference held at the National Farmers' Union yesterday, to launch the Design Council's first Catalogue of Farm Buildings. Sir Henry Plumb, President of the National Farmers' Union, was the host and the Marquess of Bute, Sir Gordon Russell and Mr Keith Grant, director of the council, were among those present.

Today's engagements

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh arrive from Barbados at Heathrow Airport South, 5-25.

The Duke of Gloucester opens Barnet Copthall Swimming Pool, 2,30.

The Lord Mayor of London visits 2nd City of London Sea Scouts, C Warehouse, St Katharine's Dock, 6.30.

BBC Symphony Orchestra concert, St John's, Smith Square, Beethoven, Lokshin, Haydn, 7.30.

Painting in focus, exhibition No 8, "The Arnolfini marriage", by Jan van Eyck, National Gallery, 10-5.

Stubbs Appeal lecture, Con-stance Anne Parker, Tate Gallery, 6.45.

St Lawrence Jewry, talk, Buman rights, Mr Vladimir Bukovsky, 1.15.

Design Council

Luncheon

One of the three new pieces acts as a skeleton to articulate the

others. The plot becomes clear.

Professor Turner says the new pieces were the most disgustingly tatty hits of papyrus be had ever seen: "There are papyri and papyri. Some are a pleasure to read. Winning a single letter

Until 1965 it was known only

Mr C. A. McDonald and Miss V. M. D. Neame
The engagement is announced between Charles Alan, son of Dr and Mrs J. A. McDonald, of Bissington, Ashford, Kent, and Vanessa Margaret Dewar, daughter of Mr Richard Dewar Neame, of The Court House, Bishopsbourne, Canterbury, Kent, and the Tate the Hon Mrs David Fellowes.

Mr N. H. Hertall and Miss Annabel Macdonald of

Steat
The engagement is announced between Nicholas Hyde, second son of Mr and Mrs Peter Hextall, of Hooklands, Ashington, Sussex, and Annabel Celia Dorothy, youngest daughter of the late Sir Someried Macdonald of Steat, Br. and of Mary Lady Macdonald of Sleat, of Westcroft, Rudston, Driffield, East Yorkshire.

Mr. C. Mannet

The engagement is announced between Christian Marner, of 12 Mariborough Street, Loudon, SW3, and Copenhagen, Denmark, and Carol Ann. younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J. D. H. Murray, of Hulam Lodge, Castle Eden, co Durham.

The engagement is announced between William, elder son of Mr T. Normanton, of Wilmiam, Normanton, of Wilmiam, Cheshire, and Jayne, only taughter of Group Captain and Mrs R. R. Rawlins, of Hampstead, London.

and Miss N. C. Chaiwin
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, son of the late Major G. V. Seymour and of Mrs Seymour, of Osmington, Dorset, and Nicola, daughter of Mr W. Chaiwin and of Mrs F. Chaiwin, of Wandsworth Common, SW18.

and Miss S. L. Rippon

The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Brigadier B. A. B. Taylor, C.B.E., and Mrs Taylor, of The White House, Netherhampton, Witshire, and Sarah, daughter of the Right Hon Geoffrey Rippon, OC. MP, and Mrs Rippon, of Ellwood House, Barrasford, Northumberland.

The marriage took piece in Southend-on-Sea on October 28 between Mr Victor Benjamin and Miss Flons Campbell.

The marriage took place at Cobham on October 29 between Mr Basil Emms, of Little Book-ham, Surrey, and Mrs Anne Diana

Kay, widow of Kenneth C. J. Kay, of Oxshort, Surrey.

The marriage took place on October 29, 1977, between Mr Trevor Lloyd. of Southover, Park View Road, Woldingham, Surrey, and Miss Dawn Stilgoe, of 15 Whitby Road, Milford-on-Sea, Hampshire.

The Royal Navy's longest serving sailor, Chief Perry Officer James Jeffries, left the Service yesterday, the day before his sixty-third birthday. He joined the Navy as a boy of 15 in 1930 and has been a gumnery instructor at HMS Camperdown, Dundee, for 23 years.

Mr T. F. Lloyd and Miss D. E. M. Stilgoe

Oldest sailor retires

Mr C. Marner and Miss C. A. Murray

Mr W. Normanton and Miss J. L. Rawlins

Mr N. G. M. Seymour and Miss N. C. Chaiwin

Mr M. A. B. Taylor and Miss S. L. Rippon

Marriages ·

Mr B. Emms and Mrs K. C. J. Kay

Mr V. Benjamin

Forthcoming marriages

read. Winning a single letter from these was a major operation. The surface was hadly rubbed and filtry."

Even now that they have been cleaned outsiders can only marvel at the analysis of the analysis.

at the paleographic art that en-ables them to be read, using

capped and elderly people. Mr Ennals, who is in a wheelchair after hospital treatment to his leg, was publicing the renewal of the Government's "Good Neighbour" campaign, which was started last year. He

Wessex Horel, Winchester, yesterday. The Vice-Lord Lieutenant, Sir Hugh Smiley, was in the chair. Their guest was the Earl of Maimesbury, Lord Lieutenant of

International Chamber of

Institution of Civil Engineers

port intended. The French forces

which crossed the Black River at

its confinence with the Red River.

have confined themselves to

widening their bridgehead and

wacening their bridgehead and advancing slowly along the right bank of the Red River. The ground was flooded by the Vietninh about a week ago when the attack against Nghia-Lo began. Their aim was presumably to hamper precisely the sort of flanking operation which the French have now undertaken.

head of music company £173,695 Bowden, Mr Hubert Moxhay, of Wonersh, solicitor .. £222,500

Brough, Mrs Margaret, of Poole \$144,713

Howe, Sir Royald Martin, of Bognor Regis, Deputy Commis-sioner, CID, Metropolitan Police, 1953-57 £70,290

Morton, Mr George Trestrail, of Bicester, Stockbroker £430,608.

Commerce

said: "Keep up the jubilee spirit and rally around for your elderly and disabled neighbours. The winter is coming and we are already baying power cuts. People may die if everybody neglects them.

side and the James Alfred Ewing Medal was awarded to Sir Christopher Cockerell.

Inpan Society of London Japan Society of London
The annual dinner of the Japan
Society of London, in conjunction
with the British-Japanese Parliamentary Group, was held at the
Savoy Hotel yesterday evening.
Mr Edward Heath, MP, was the
guest of homour, and Mr Julian
Ridsdale, MP, chairman, and Mrs
Ridsdale received the guests, who
included the Ambassador of
Japan and Mme Kato and Sir
Michael and Lady Wilford.

Commerce
The anumal dinner of the British
Nacional Committee of the International Chamber of Commerce,
was held at Quagling's banqueting
rooms last night. Sir Reag Geddes,
chairman of the British National
Committee, presided and the
guests of honour were Dr David
Owen. Secretary of State for
Foreign and Commonwealth
Affairs, and M Claude Cheysson,
member of the Commission of the
European Communities. Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene and Hygiene
After the 1977 Harben Lecture
given by Professor L. J. BruceChwatt a diener was held in his
honour at the Royal Society of
Medicine. Among those present
were Viscount Trenchard, president, and Viscountess Trenchard,
Dr Kenneth Vickery, chairman of
council, and Mrs Vickery and,
members of council and their
quests. The 1977-78 council of the Insti-tution of Civil Engineers were turion of Civil Engineers were entertained at dinner last night by Mr Alan Muir Wood, the new president, and Mrs Muir Wood, Before dinner, at a presentation of awards, the Kelvin Medal was awarded to Lord Hinton of Bank-

£4m theatre can be used as a concert hall

By Kenneth Gosling

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Arts Reporter
A film theatre, once under threat
of indefinite delay because of
government spending limits, opens
to the public on Saturday for the
first of four open days.
The Hexagon, at Reading, can
be converted from a concert ball
holding a full symptony orchestra
into a traditional proscenium-arch
theatre.

The money has come from the local authority, spart from a £30,000 Arts Council grant last

year.
Mr Robert Corder, the Hexa-gon's director, a former Yorkshire Television executive, said that tince 1961 all Reading's entertainment had been amatent; bow up to half of it would be profes-sional. The building was as com-plicated as the National Theatre, "but I have not six productions walking to come in from the Old Vic.".

However, his plan for a belanced programme is being achieved, and within rate-fund imits. Local organizations will be able or events. More than 200 seats are retractable, allowing floor space for a thousand dancers or diners.

diners.

A royal opening is planned for next year. The first big orchestra to use the concert hall will be the London Symphony on January 18 and the Royal Philharmonic on

OBITUARY

DR RONALD MACKEITH

An influential paediatrician

at the age of 69, was a paediatrician who played a unique role in linking physical and psychological paediatrics.

To a certain extent his repu-To a certain extent his repu-tation was even higher overseas particularly in Europe and North America than in his own country. Not that his fellow paediatricians did not realize and appreciate his worth but there was a certain unconventionality about him that tended to retard his full incorporation into the corpus of British paediatrics. All however agreed that he had performed a task that needed to be done and that he had done this well.

His appointments in them-selves indicate his breadth of approach to the problem of child health: paediacrician to Guy's Hospital, the Tavistock Clinic and the Cassel Nospital. But perhaps his outstanding contribution was what he did for spastic children as director of the Medical Education and of the Medical Education and Information Unit of the Spas-rics Society, a post he had held for practically 20 years. Here his bivalent approach to paediatrics with his special interest in neurology gave full access for his widerapping yet scope for his wide-raoging yet balanced interests and the un-fortunate spastics in our midst have much to be grateful to him

Equally 'valuable was bis Equally valuable was his work as editor of Developmental Medicine and Child Neurology. This he raised to the level of the outstanding journal of its kind and through its medium with his careful selection of articles and authors his influence literally coreed. his influence literally spread around the world. No paediatrician, no matter where he worked or what might be his (or her) special interest, could afford to miss it. On occasions it might be what the more critical and conservative might describe as "off beam", but no matter how unorthodox his arricles might occasionally be

Dr Ronald MacKeith, DM, based on careful work and FRCP, who died on October 30 honest interpretation. Few paediatric journals have established such a firm niche in the vast modern field of

medical journals.
Ronald Charles MacKeith
was born on February 22, 1908,
the son of a doctor. He was educated at King Edward VI educated at King Edward VI School, Southampton, and Queen's College, Oxford, taking his clinical training at St Mary's Hospital, London. He graduated in 1932 and completed his post-graduate training as 'Radelliffe Travelling Fellow at Bellevue Hospital, New York. The Second World War he spent in the RNVR and in 1948 he was appointed paediatrician to Guy's Hospital

in 1948 he was appointed paediatrician to Guy's Hospital and the Tavistock Clinic.

Here he rapidly established his reputation and by 1953 he was lecturer to a WHO seminar in Sydney and the following year a member of a WHO study group in Stockholm. From 1958 to 1976 he organized in Oxford a series of International Study Groups on Child Neurology which went from strength to strength and rapidly estabto strength and rapidly estab-lished themselves as one of the

lished themselves as one of the most important developments in modern paedistrics.

Honours fell on him from near and far. At home the British Paediatric Association awarded him the James Spence Gold Medal in 1972 and two years previously he had served as president of the Section of Prediatrics of the Royal Society of Medicine.

of Medicine.

But perhaps his versatility and wholistic approach to child health is best exemplified in a selection of his books, many written jointly: Injust Feeding and Feeding Difficulties; Psychosomatic Aspects of Paediatrics: The Child and His Symptoms, and New Look at Child Health.

He will be sadly missed but the foundations he has laid have been well and truly based and will remain a permanent conarticles might occasionably be tribution to the care of the they were always securely child in the years to come.

MISS JOAN TETZEL

Miss Joan Tetzel, the Ameri- sales) when Charles Boyer made can ectress, has died at the

age of 56. As adaptable as volarile, she went on the New York stage when she was 17. During a full career, including the long Broadway run of I Remember Mana, she moved between two
of the demanding women of
libsen and Strindberg and such
comedies (for which she is remembered best in London) as
The Little Hut and How the
Other Holf Loves Other Half Loves.

Born in New York City in June, 1921, she was educated at the Professional Children's School and, while still attending it, had six years' training for the theatre. She appeared first (November, 1936) in Lovelei, understudied in The Little Foxes, and went on to such work as Moloat's Liliom, John van Druten and Lloyd Morris's The Damask Cheek, and, at length, van Druten's I Remember Mama, playing Ketrin (the girl who steps so nearly in and our of her journal) during the 700-odd performances at the Music Box: Oscar Homoika, whose fourth wife she would be, was Uncle Chris. In 1948 she was Jessica in Sartre's Red Gloves (Les mains

DR HANS EGGELING Dr Hens F. Eggeling, author of the Oxford Dictionary of Modern German Prose Usage, died in a London hospital on

October 31 at the age of 99. He won an international reputation as an expert in the German language and for many years was consulted by German academic and other institutions. For 43 years he was on the staff of Edinburgh University, where he was teacher in German, until he retired 29 years

piano at his lectures and perform German Lieder as part of his teaching. Until he was 95 he organized

ago. He was well known for his unorthodox teaching methods and would produce a

coffee mornings which were actended by some of his women honours students of his class of 1921. At the age of 90 he began attending evening classes in Gaelic because, he explained, be became irritated at not understanding what people said to him during his holidays in the Highlands of Scotland.

his Broadway debut. She came to London during 1950 as Susan in Peter Brook's production of The Little Hut at the Lyric. This was Nancy Mit-ford's version of a boulevard comedy by André Roussiu about a husbend (Robert Mor-

ley) and wife (Joan Temel), with the wife's lover (David Tomkason), all marooned on a desert island, trying to live together, and giving performances sultably extravagant and exetic in loan Tetzel acted in this for Joan Tetzel acted in this for some time. Back in New York, she played, among other parts, Hilda Wangel in The Master Builder (1955), to Homolka's Solness, and Nurse Ratchet in One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest (1963). In England again (1965) her incommentations are (1966) her uncompromising por-treit of the Captain's wife matched that of Homolka as matched that of Homolka as the Captain in the first part of Strindberg's The Dance of Death at the Yvonne Arnaud. Guildford. Her last London role, again with Robert Morley, was Fiona, one of the wives in Alan Ayckbourn's How the Other Half Loves (Lyric, 1970). She was married twice: first to John E. Mosman (the marri-age was dissolved), and later to

LORD VAUX OF HARROWDEN

Oscar Romolka.

Lord Vaux of Harrowden, the ninth baron, the Rev Pater Rubert Gordon Gibbey, OSE, died on November 1 at the age of 63. He had been rector of St Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Warrington, from 1962. The son of William Gordon Gilbey and Grace Mary Gilbey and Grace Mary Eleanor, 8th Baroness Vaux of Harrowden, he was educated at Ampleforth College and St Benet's Hall, Oxford. He was ordained in 1940 and was an assistant master at the college from 1939 to 1953. He was an assistant priest at St Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Cardiff, from 1953 to 1957.

In 1962 he made his first

In 1962 he made his first speech in the House of Lords remarking that the last monk f the Order of St Benedict to address the House in 1559 was confined shortly afterwards in a sort of concentration camp for refractory Clergy at Wisbech Castle. Lord Vaux is succeeded by his brother the Hon John Hugh

Philip Gilbey.

Varied exhibit wins RHS gold medal

By Our Horticultural Correspondent

The late autumn show of the Royal Horricultural Society in the old hall at Westminster is not large but is colourful, with many plants of interest, and the emphasis is on autumn-flowering and leaf colour.

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Hillier and Sons, of Winchester, have been awarded a gold medal for their excellent exhibit of plants with autumnal interest. They have a splendid centreplece of sorbus, pyracantha, prumus, elaragens, liguistrum, quercus and rhammus, giving a mixture of red and vellow tims interspersed with green-and-white variegated foliage. Brighton parks and gardens department has staged a large display of chrysanthemums. Emphasis is on the charm and cascade varieties arranged as Emphasis is on the charm and cascade varieties arranged as individual plants or in colourful groups, and they are well set off by other types of thrysanthemums, including large and medium decoratives, and sprays, to give height and depth to the exhibit. Some good varieties include "blanche Poitevene", white; "Golden Seal", vellow, and "Brome Marble", pale orange. There is a good exhibit of dahlias for so late in the season, including "Purple Doris Day", fescot Julie, yellow and orange; "Match", purple and white; Margaret Anne, cream; and yellow.

vellow.

There is a good collection of hardy and greenhouse ivies and ferns. Other icteresting plants for the home and greenhouse include Aechma fasciata albo marginata, with pink flowers and striped leaves, Aechmea gamosepala, with

yellow flower spike and dark and the tall growing Begonia vitichotoma, with purple stems and white flowers.

than usual to judge, and awards of merit were awarded to Correa backhousianu, green flowers, brown felted under-surface of leaf, from Dr J. A. Smart, Barnstaple; and Coprosma species, clusters of orange berries, from Lady Amory.

competition.

green leaves; and the Begonia shrubs of different genera with Cleopatra, with palmate russety foliage; the shrub-like Begonia attunnal foliage was won by Sheffield Park Gardens, Namend foliage, with small waxy leaves Trust, with Fothergila monitorial (discovered in Columbia in 1825); red, yellow and green; Chinomathy the strength of red, yellow and green; Chinnan-thus virginicus, yellow; Chienansylvatica, brilliant scarlet; and

watercolours and sketches of Malaysian "threatened plants", which she hopes will help to preserve those plants in spite of the jungle clearance and roadmaking threatening their existence.

The other gold medal was awarded to Guladys Tonge for her watercolours of plants from the hedgerow and trom her conn cottage garden. They are very lovely and three to enlay are of Tussilago farfara, 'Old Blash' China rose, and Cotoneaster

For the forward thinking and experimental gardener there is an interesting technical stand showing the work being carried out by Long Ashton Risearch Station on

The show is open again today from 10 am to 5 pm

There is weather within the oceans will not pick up small-scale or as well as above them, and as we yet know little about it. Certainly yet know little about it. Certainly radar may be necessary, so also there are many scales of activity within the ocean for which more some parts of the globe, but movement at depth and fluctuations in the properties of water with time of day or season of the year are still poorly understood. Recent developments in acoustics, how-

ever, seem to provide prospects of learning a lot more about small and medium-scale structure at The traditional way to learn about the deep water has been to lower devices from a ship. For instance an array of sampling bottles might be attached at intervals to a wire; the wire would be lowered to the designed death the cred to the designed depth, the hottles closed automatically and hories closed automatically and the samples winched back to the curiace for analysis. A simple tem-perature recorder or current meter could descend to the depths. Or the progress of a device that free-floated at a specified depth could be tracked from acoustic signals.

All those techniques, however, of the seasons recommended the seasons returned to weather stations on land. For many purposes that is time, but, just as widely separated weather stations making occasional reports making occasional reports

fast-moving atmospheric activity for which visual observations or continuous and widespread observation is needed

Sound is the only feasible means of doing that at present. For a long rime sound waves have been bounced off the ocean bottom to give the depth, they been used by trawlers to find reflections from fish and have been employed in the search for sub-bottom geological search for sub-notion geological structure. For an echo to occur there must be a change in the density and or the sound speed of the medium. In seawater, for instance, a sharp boundary between two layers in which the temperature differed by 1000 would lead ture differed by ldegC would lead to a fraction of 1 per cent of the sound being reflected.

Thus to detect echoes from water masses, extremely sensitive equipment must be built; that has been done in the past few years at several laboratories. Now in a report in Nature. Dr F. C. New-man and three colleagues from the United Sures National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration describe underway observations of water masses on the move off the New England coast last year. They used a one-kilowatt somar

could travel at up to five knots with the set operating. For more days faint reflections were picked up while they were working in water on the edge of the continental shelf. Those showed that there was a mass of water about 40 metres deep, five kilometres across and possibly elongated parallel to the shelf edge. The mass of water moved 18 kilometres closer to the shore in the space of three days, then remained roughly stationary.

set operating at a frequency at the top of the audible range. The ship could travel at up to five knots

it does signify that it is possible to follow some of the activity that occurs at the boundary of different

then remained roughly stationary.
Temperature probes in the region showed that nearer to shore region showed that nearer to shore the water dropped from 20degC at the surface to 7degC at the bottom (75 metres); farther out to sea the temperature barely dropped below 10degC. In the zone where the reflections were picked up the 7degC water seemed to interfer with sharp boundaries into the waters water. That observation in itself may not be particularly remarkable, but

occurs at the boundary of different types of water. Ey Nature Times News Service. Source: Nature, October 27 (259, 780-1). £500). Caricatures of that period are still available in such quantity that even examples in good condition can be bought for about 110. An attractive group of 10 by Rowlandson, Seymour and SNature-Times News Service, 1977.

£15D). paid for prints of topographical

interest. Hartnoll and Eyre paid 56.800 (estimate £5,000 to £7,000) for 131 plater from Thomas and William Daniell'; Oriental scenery. a series of coloured squatints published between 1795 and 1808. The set was incomplete. The sale made £64,095, with about 4 per cent unsold.

others, including a ludicrous scene entitled "Going it by steam". fetched £190 (estimate £100 to The top prices in the sale were

paintings with a tew minor Im-pressionist and modern works made \$156,010, with 38 per cent

Dwarf comiers and alpine plants are on display. Among the latter flowering now are the miniature Cyclanen cilicium, pale purple; Geniuma sino ornata Brin Gentiana sino ornata Brin Forum , blue, striped pale green; Lewisia Birch Hybrids , pink; Dianthus " Mrs Clarke , crimson ; Purochetus communis, clover-like leaves and blue flowers; Prata treadwellii. white; and the dell-cate irls-like purple-and-whita-flowered Sisprinchium bermudiamum The committee had fewer plants

Tiverton.
In many areas this has not been a good year for autumn colour and that was reflected by unusually few entries in the tree and shrub

competition.
Class 1. for four trees and/or shrubs of different genera with autumnal fruits, was won by Lord Aberconway and the National Trust, Bodnant, with fine examples of Viburnum opulus xanthocolpa, pale orange berries. Commenter conspicuus delorus, scarlet berries. Pracantha rogersiana flava, yallow fruits, and Sorbus sargentiana, orange berries. tiona, orange berries.

crimson. This late autumn show is when many botanical paintings are ois-played. There is a large entry and two gold medals have been awarded to this section. Barbara Everard has a large collection of

the Mendow Orchard. The idea is that fruit trees are densely played and kept dwarf by growth-recardant chemicals and mechanical means so that they fruit in their second year, and every other year thereafter. The yield is said to equal that from traditional

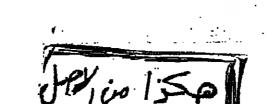


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BUSINESS NEWS



Crown

Agents by

committee

Serious criticisms contained in an as yet unpublished Com-mittee of Inquiry report into

the circumstances which led to

the State rescue of the Crown Agents, are being studied by the Government in preparing legislation for its future public

control and accountability to

Parliament.
Although faced with a tight

programme for the new session

By Maurice Corina

Miners' vote halts advance of pound and causes sharp drop in share prices

By Caroline Atkinson

Unexpected rejection by the miners of the productivity proposals knocked half a cent off sterling yesterday morning after it had touched \$1.8630 against the dollar and 65.1 in effective

But the rate continued well um on last week's levels, and as the dollar fell against all other currencies sterling closed 30 points up on the day at 1.8435. The effective rate index ended 0.2 down at 64.4 The dollar fell to historic

Japanese, Swiss and German currencies rouching 245.75 yea, 2.2085 Swiss francs and DM2.234. This was despite another statement from Mr Michael Blumenthal, United States Treasury Secretary, on the strength of the American

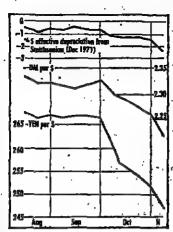
Now that the Bank of England is no longer propping up the dollar the rate has weakened considerably. Support from the other central banks has been very limited.

Japan's official reserves soared by \$1,709m (about £928m) last mouth to a record \$19,577m. This is thought to represent about \$1,500m of official support for the dollar during the mouth.

during the month. Yesterday, however, Japanese banks were buying many more yen on commercial orders than could be counter official intervention. be counteracted by

The dollar finally closed down 22 at 246.9 yen in London. It has failen 5.3 per cent against the yen in the last month. Its effective depreciation since Smithsonian widered yesterday from -1.91 to -2.44. At the close the dollar had lost 1.1 pfennig at DM2.2395 and 1.7 Swiss centimes at 2.215 Swiss france.

Trading in London was hectic and erratic. There was a wide spread of 3 cents in the sterlingdollar rate as dealers tested the pound's range and the Bank of England let the rate fluctuate. Most dealers still expect a further strengthening of the pound sithough the miners vote has undoubtedly dampened





out of New York into pounds, and out of pounds into the stronger Swiss, German and Japanese currencies.

More foreign holders of pounds, and in particular the Germans, decided to take their creating profits wasterday. As

sterling profits yesterday. As the miners' vote become clearer this profit-taking could

exchange markets have so far this year proved almost impervious to bad news. The British Government's strong commit-ment to money supply targets, the already appareur and growthe already apperent and growing surplus on current account, and the belief that the appreciation of the pound which is now being allowed will help to reduce the rate of inflation are ell considered by the markets to be cruckel pointers to the pound's strength.

There is some disagreement over the view taken of the British economy by foreign

a general optimism, while others believe that the huge inflows of capital have been largely look-ing for short term profits and could soon be reversed.

worst at the end of trading the FT Index was still 13.4 points lower at 492.1 and, more significantly, below the 495 which is generally reckned to be the lower end of its present trading

in favour of Dealers said that the news of Dealers said that the news of the miners coming on top of the decision to let sterling go higher, with its repercussions for exporting companies, proved too much for investors nerves and equities had a "shell-shocked" look after a bout of heavy selling in the two hours before lunch. hours before lunch.

into selling after the strength of sterling had brought early gains. But as the currency turned back longer maturity gilts followed suit to close with losses of up to three-guarters

Government worried over state-aided company as Linwood losses mount | Criticism of

Chrysler heads called to Whitehall

The Government is becoming increasingly worried about the new financial crisis threatening Chrysler UK, less than two years after it stepped in with £162m to save the American-owned company.

to save the American-owned company.
Yesterday Mr George Lacy, Chrysler's managing director, and Mr Peter Griffiths, his deputy, were called to the Department of Industry for urgent talks.

It was apparent before the present strike at Linwood that Chrysler would not only fail to meet its forecast profit of £300,000 for 1977, but was heading for another substantial loss. This was confirmed last week when Chrysler US reported that its United Kingdom subsidiary had lost £19m in the first nine months of the year.

Now, with Linwood, its biggest plant, closed for the past fortnight by a strike, and all 7,000 manual workers laid off, it is heading for year end losses well in excess of the £20m ceiling set by the Government.

Under the terms of the rescue deal, the Government will have to find half of this (£10m) as well as the £40m it has already provided to cover losses in 1976.

Anything in excess of the agreed ceiling has to be borne by the United States

First ballots

BOC return

Early indications last night

Although the bulk of results

will not come in until today.

the company and union officials

regard the first votes as encour-

The only two plants to have rejected the recommendation

yesterday were the depots at Glasgow Polmadie and Mother-

By Donald Macintyre

tiations to reopen.

present serious concern among Govern-ment ministers. They are worried about Chrysler's con-

tinuing inability to improve its market

In December 1975, when the Government stepped in, Chrysler held nearly 7 per cent of the United Kingdom market. In the first nine months of this year, that has fallen to less than 6 per cent despite extensive reorganization and the introduction of new models.

Mr Lacy and his colleagues are blaming the strike-prone labour force at Linwood for the continuing poor performance. They have pointed out that, despite shop nave pointed out that, despite snop stewards' commitment to improve labour relations and productivity, Linwood has had one stoppage after another. This steady "bleeding to death" could

not be allowed to continu eand when the present strike began more than a fortnight ago over a relatively minor issue— the suspension of four inspectors—management insisted on wide-ranging action by the unions to make the plant economically

Main platinum group

to cut output by 20 pc

Far from having the desired effect, the attempt to introduce problems uncon-

parent, so that aspect is not causing the nected with the present dispute has angered the shop stewards and the Scottish TUC. They are accusing the company of using the Linwood labour force as a whipping boy for its own failure to comply with the terms of the planning agreement lodged with the Government in March this year.

Leyland was hit by another stoppage yesterday. Some 1,500 workers at Triumph, Liverpool, walked out only a few hours after they had resumed work. They had been laid off for over three weeks by a strike — Coventry. - since setled - at Triumph

The new dispute began when shop stewards objected to changes in manning levels to improve productivity.

After day long talks between Vauxhall management and the unions in Coventry last night it was announced that the company would be recalling 18,000 laid-off workers to resume production tomorrow morning. Recommendations agreed on at the meeting will be put to 3,000 skilled workers on strike in protest at the erosion of craft differentials. By last night Vauxhall had lost over £12m worth of production at retail prices.

No big UK sale plans,

Reed says By Ronald Pullen

Despite increasing losses at its Canadian pulp and paper subsidiary, now forecast to be more than film, Reed International reaffirmed yesterday that it had no plans to sell off any of its main United Kingdom operations.

Mr Alex Jarratt, chairmen of Reed, emphasized in a state-ment accompanying the helfyear results that group policy remained the same as that spelt out at the annual meeting, namely that Reed would dispose of only "strictly peripheral interests".

So far in this financial year Reed has sold investments in Kimberly - Clark, Associated Television and MEPC which have realized around £21m.
Referring to recent reports
that Reed was considering
selling part of its publishing

sempire, including the Mirror group of Newspapers, Mr Jarratt said that this speculation was "totally without foundation". Reed shares lost lip to 164p on the publication of half-year results which were slightly below stock market expec-

tations Thanks to continued improve ment at home in paper, pack-aging and publishing as well as an increase in its European as an increase in its European operations, pretax profits were 15 per cent shead at £39.4m. But the Canadian operation, Reed Paper, has gone from bad to worse with the sharp fall in world pulp prices and plant closures turning a £2.8m profit this time last year into a loss of £2.8m.

of £2.8m.

Reed Paper has already announced a nine months loss of £5.5m and the company is now forecasting a loss of not less than £11.1m for the full year.

Because the Canadian losses cannot be offset for rax purposes, profits attributable to Reed shareholders have fallen sharply from £14.1m m £12.4m.

of Parliament, the publication of the inquiry's findings will mean the Government will face requests from MPs for an accompanying statement of legislative intentions.

A White Paper outlining pro-posals for incorporating the Crown Agents was published in April, 1976, but the Government feels that any new structure ought to await the conclusions of the inquiry, commissioned over two years ago and led by

Judge Fay.
It is understood that the inquiry report is an unpleasant and bigoly critical account of the Crown Agents' troubles before its sheke-up under Mr John Cuckney.

It catalogues blunders within Whitehall and within the Crown

Agents, demonstrating the need for a clearly defined status and



wall-drafted government powers of direction to avoid such mistakes being repeated.

Mrs Hart, Minister for Overseas Development, has the difficult tesk of arranging publication of most of the Fay Report (there are thought to be some sensitive matters which can be reasonably withheld) without disturbing unduly the confidence of Crown Agents' clients and principals abroad.

The assurance that early legislation will be forthcoming to give the organization a proper constitution and frame-work of statutory obligations will clearly help.

The intendon has been to

give the Crown Agents a capital structure and borrowing powers appropriate to their assets, lia-bilities, and continuing trading activities

Accounts and an annual report are to be laid before Par-liament, and the Government intends to take special powers of direction which need not necessarily bedevil day to day management.

While legislation is relatively easy to draft, there is a develop-ing problem of the capital struc-ture, given the accumulated deficits and existing guarantees now supporting the organiza-

The Bank of England was in the Bank of England was in the market in a very small way yesterday to smooth out the worst jumps in the rate. It was thought to have held sterling when it touched the low of 1.633. Shares bad day: Shares had Government. their worst day for six weeks on the London stock market yesterday after the miners' surprise decision. Though a little above the

Gilt-edged securities also re

With the index losing more than 17 points in two days and now back at the levels of late August many declers would not be surprised to see prices fall They say that while industrial news is brighter in some quarters, the market always sees the miners as a begon of trade union militancy. If they press ahead with a big claim other groups are likely to follow suit breaching the Government's guideline decisively. Wall Street concern: The Do-Jones industrial average close 11.44 points down to 806.91 in trading of more than 17 million shares because of comcern about rising interest rates.

chromium. Rustenburg has cut back were that the 3,000 British Oxy-Plarinum, the western world's biggest platinum producer, announced today it is cutting Rustenburg has cut back drastically because, according to a statement in Johannesburg today, the present rate of production and price levels and sales are "imposing an undue and unacceptable strain upon its financial resources". Desmond Quigley writes: Just over a month ago Rustenburg Platinum announced that it had passed its final dividend and gen Company strikers would vote in favour of a return to production by up to 20 per cent and laying off more than 5,000 work to allow formal pay negoworkers, mostly blacks. The Bophutherswana Bantu-stan, which is due to become independent on December 6, Of 14 of the company's 46 depots which voted yesterday 12 decided to eccept their union leaders' recommendation to call off the strike, after management indications that it was prepared to make a new pay offer.

South Africa's Rustenburg

depends largely for any economic feasibility it might have on the mining leases in the Rusten burg area which will be granted

From Ray Kennedy

Johannesburg, Nov 1

Mineral areas the homeland will acquire are largely in the lease areas of Impala Platinum, Rusenburg's main rival, and controlled by Union Corporation. Mr Ian Greig, Impala chairman, said today his company had no plans for reducing recoduration.

But Rustenburg's announcement followed a statement by Lourho-owned Western Platithe weekend, the company indi-cated that it was prepared to make an advance, described as "significant" by senior union officials, on their offer of a 10 per cent pay rise plus a productivity deal, giving in-creases of between 5 per cent group metals in the same area, of a large drop in profits dur-

ing the last 12 months.

The South African Government has been actively proclaiming that Bophuthatswama's

Rebuff for flour workers' 20pc

rights containing vast reserves of platinum group metals and

passed its final dividend and

reported a collapse in pre-tax profits from R44.1m to R33.6m

(about £22m). (On the basis of a new accounting policy the

1977 profits came out at a mere R4.7m.)

come despite the fact that over the last month the free market price for platinum finally over-

took Rustenburg's producer price of \$162 an ounce, having

been below it for almost the whole of the last year. Yester-day platinum closed at \$170.50

Rustenburg has not only been

hit by the poor merket condi-tions for platinum, but also by the highly depressed state of nickel, which is produced as a

an ounce.

The production cutback has

pay agreement Leaders of 5.500 flour

workers have had a 20 per cent plus pay agreement rejected by the Government. Mr Harold Walker, Minister of State for Employment, fold

employers and unions that a main part of the offer—a 71 per cent self-financing productivity deal—was not within the Government's pay guidelines. He also stressed that a pro-DOSAď

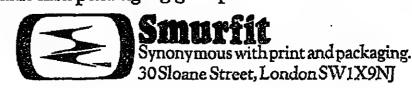
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The reasons behind the floating

Why Cabinet rejected an easing of controls

Caroline Atkinson
Ending of the "25 per cent
surrender rule", a relaxation
of the so-called "super
criterion" rules for companies" overseas investment, and pos-sibly the relaxation of rules on sterling's use in third country trade were the three main elements of exchange control liberalization pur forward by the Treasury which would have been included in last week's package of measures. Bigger relaxations on those measures which were taken was another possibility.

They were all rejected at the Cabinet meeting the Monday before Mr Healey's announcement on Wednesday and the decision not to give anything more than token relaxation marks the real point of no return in the Government's conversion to allowing sterling

Easing of exchange regula-ons, at first seen as largely rions, at a technical response to Britain's improved payments position, assumed sudden new impor-tance with Treasury and Bank of England officials in the week beginning October 10 when two things happened to convince them that the conflict between holding down the exchange rate and maintaining money couply targets had become an acute problem.

The first was when banking figures published on October 11 showed that the policy pursued throughout the summer of terilizing the inflows by selling gilts and other measures had broken down, with a sharp increase in banking eligible liabilities, which determine money

The second was that in only three days the Bank of England was forced to buy just under \$2.000m (about £1,130m) to hold down the effective rate of sterling as funds poured into London. Reserve figures to be published today will show a rise of around \$20,000m.

On Thursday, October 13, there was a meeting between a

there was a meeting between a senior official of the Bank and of the Treasury to decide what By Monday it had been decided to bring forward the package of tax cuts to October 26 and to speed preparations for a possible easing of

exchange controls. Relaxing controls on outward investment seems to have been the favoured solution of many citicials within the Bank and the Treasury. They argued that oursions of capital would be increased if the present rule which says that 25 per cent of the dollar premium paid on overseas portfolio investment was scrapped.

There was also strong support for easing the rule which says direct investment overseas by companies must earn a positive return to the balance of payments within 18 months if it is to qualify for exchange control permission.

More controversial was an idea to reverse the decision taken last year to stop sterling being used to finance trade between third countries. This was opposed by some on the grounds that it went against the drive to reduce sterling's role

Although a number of Cabinet ministers felt quite early on that such an easing of exchange controls was politically impossible because of union and Labour Party concess. union and Labour Party opposi-tion it was not until October 24 that the Cabinet finally ruled them out at a short session to settle the details of the package. The more economically aware ministers at the meeting realized that in so doing they were making a sterling revalua-tion inevitable.

Some officials seem to have felt that even if removing out-ward exchange controls was impossible it would have been possible to impose inward controls to deal with what was essentially a short-term prob-lem. This was rejected on grounds of embarrassment both abroad and at home at the sight of having rules designed to keep money out and to keep

Thus, when Mr Healey spoke on Wednesday, there was a general recognition that an upward valuation of sterling had become inevitable. In spite of this the Treasury seems to have pressed to postpone any final decision on the exchange rate until after the package. The Governor of the Bank seems to have favoured an earlier

The fact that the pound was about to be raised in value makes more surprising some of the comments made by Mr Healey on the night of his mini-Budget. On the BBC programme Tonight he said that if the pound went up we'd start running into serious problems of price competitiveness in overseas markets and the industrial view on this matter, of course, is very different from the City view. But then the City deals in money, industry deals in goods and goods are what are important for the country at the present time." Mr Healey also stressed that money supply had gone up by only 7 per cent in the previous 12 months but then conceded that if there were a contradic-tion between exchange rate policy and money targets for this year the Government would

CBI survey chief points to anxiety over wage and export prospects

By Maicolm Brown Performance by manufacturing industry is still at a low ebb, the Confederation of British Industry said yesterday. Mr Ray Pennock, chairman of the CBI's economic situation

committee described it as "still bouncing along the bottom".

Introducing the latest CBI in-Introducing the latest CBI in-dustrial trends survey, Mr Pennock said that exporting would become tougher in the wake of the floating of the pound. It was now all the more crucial that pay settlements should be moderated, he added. Senior officials of the confederation are deeply disturbed by the dangers of the present pay negotiations. They do not

pay negotiations. They do not yet have sufficient detail of the productivity deals being reached as part of many settlements to state baldly that damage is being done by spurious deals. But they are worried enough to put up what they describe as "alarm signals".

Mr John Methven, director general, said: "I think the chance of achieving a 10 per cent increase in earnings between August, 1977, and August, 1978, is very small 1978, is very small

The CBI trends survey reflects a pervading uncertainty among businessmen about the business outlook. There has been no further decline in

business confidence since the summer, but neither is there widespread optimism.
Output and orders over the past four months have been disturbingly weak, and below capacity working is now more

extensive. But, balanced against this, new orders and output look likely to strengthen over the next four mouths and cost and price increases are conand price increases are con-tinuing to ease slightly.

A worrying feature is that price competitivenes is becom-ing a severe problem in the export market.

The 66th incontrial trends

The 66th interstrial trends survey was carried out between October 3 and 19. This means it was completed before the mini-budget, but there had been widespread discussion about possible measures during the period of the survey. The survey does not, of course, take account of the floating of the pound.

The survey shows that 18 per cent of companies are more optimistic about the general business situation in their industry than they were four months ago, while an equal percentage are less optimistic. percentage are less optimistic. Below capacity working is still widespread: 69 per cent of replies indicated below capacity working this time, compared with 66 per cent in July. The CBI points out that this is worse than in the troughs of 1963 and 1967 and not much better than during the 1972. than during the 1972

trough. The reported trend in orders and output is worrying. Some 29 per cent of respondents experienced an increase in the volume of total new orders over the past four months, while 23 per cent had noticed a decline. The resulting "balance" of 6 per cent compares with 10 per cent in July and 22 per cent in April.

In output, 24 per cent reported an increase in volume over the past four months while 26 per cent recorded a fail—a negative "balance" of 2 per cent. This is the first negative "balance" since January 1976, the trough of the present cycle. Looking shead to the next foor months provides a slightly four months provides a slightly more buoyant picture: the "balance" of participants expecting an improvement in orders is 22 per cent, better than the 14 per cent noted in July; the "balance" expecting an increase in the volume of output in the next four months, at 23 per cent, is also an improvement, but it remains lower than the "balances" recorded throughout most of 1976.

Shortage of orders or sales is still marked down by a very high percentage of companies as a factor likely to limit outpu Some 74 per cent of respondents expect this to be a factor, a marginal drop from July but still high by historical standards. The next most important constraint—but noted by a far smaller proportion of companies
—is the sbortage of skilled labour.

Turning to investment, the survey shows that 23 per cent of companies expect to authorize more capital expendi-ture on buildings in the next 12 months than they did over the past year, while some 26 per cent expect to authorize less, a negative "balance" of

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How the markets moved

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Pressures delay Carter tax reforms

From Frank Vogi Washington, Nov 1 President Carter is now widely seen in the Congress as indefinitely postponing his plan to seek legislation for fundamental and comprehensive reform of the American tax system.

The President has already bowed to Congressional pressures and announced that he is delaying the announcement of his tax plans until January. He is now thought likely by leading Congressmen to offer proposals in January that fall far short of those that he has repeatedly stated he intends to promote.

President Carter has apparently been warned by both Congressman Al Ullmann, the chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, and by Senator Russell Long, the chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, that the Congress would not be willing to pass a pecket of sweeping tax reform measures next year.

These members of the Congress and numerous others are now urging the President to confine his tax plan to just a

Unions seek

on BSC cuts

By Paul Routledge Senior Cabinet ministers last night met Mr Bill Sirs, leader of the TUC steel industry com-

mittee, for advance discussions ahead of the talks being held

later this week about the finanproblems of the Critish

Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, and Mr Foot, Leader of the House, met Mr

Sirs, who is also general secre-tary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, in the Commons for a preliminary ex-ploration of the scope for cost

committee is to meet the con-

poration's board to examine

proposals for economy measures

and the contribution that labour

might make.
In last night's talks the unions

sought assurance that the work-

arbitrary plant closures or sus-pension of the guaranteed

working week. Peter Hill writes: There is deep

concern in the Government and Whitehall over the corporation's

It seems unlikely, however, that the Government will make

any detailed statement much in advance of the BSC's half-year

financial results, to be pub-lished at the end of this month.

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cash crisis

Steel Corporation.

assurances

The pressures from the Congress are said by Administration sources to be so intense that it is now thought likely that the President will offer a fairly modest package in January. He may announce at the same time, according to some observers here, that he intends to seek broader and more fundamental reforms in

President Carter had intended to announce his tax plans in the summer but continual disagreements over aspects of the plan within the Administration produced lengthy delays. The President finally agreed to put off his announcements until next year as a result of Congressional pressures and as a result of his difficulties in winning Congressional

approval for his social security tax plans and his energy programme.

It is likely, according to informed sources, that the President's announcement in January will form an integral part of his Budget statement, involving tax cuts to be implemented in a phased manner throughout the current and next fiscal

In a modest step towards his broad reform goal he may, at the same time, also seek some simplification in the standard income tax forms. The January announcement is likely to involve straightforward income and corporate tax reductions. There are doubts now if the reductions. There are doubts now if the President's plan will even contain pro-posals for eliminating double taxation of dividends and for a revision of tax rates

Mr Ulimann, Mr Long and Mr Michael Blumenthal, the Secretary of the Treasury, all appear to agree now that the prime focus for tax reform in 1978 must be measures to stimulate business

The fact, however, that the tax-cutting proposals are not to be made before January makes it probable that implementation of tax cuts will not start before the summer of next year at the earliest. With an election in 1978 and with a heavy legislative schedule already planned for the Congress next year, it is said by Congressmen that there will simply not be time to consider anything other than a straightforward tax-cutting Bill.

TUC call for tough line on textiles

By Our Industrial Correspondent

Britain's textile industry trade union leaders are seek-ing an urgent meeting with Mr Dell. Secretary of State for Frade, and Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, to discuss the European Community's policy in negotiations with low-cost textile exporting

Members of the TUC's tex-tile, clothing and footwear in-dustries' committee yesterday

EEC attitude" to the current round of negotiations with deproblems.

veloping nations.

But the United Kingdom Government's attitude to the talks was warmly endorsed by the committee, whose chairman, Mr Jack Macgougan, said that the present Government had done more for the textile industry than any other this century. In talks with the two British ministers the TUC textiles committee will want to receive

mittee will want to receive assurances that the bilateral negotiations in which the EEC

what they regard as the "weak Commission is involved will provide proper coverage for the United Kingdom industry's

> It is expected the committee will press the ministers to urge the commission to adopt a tougher line in the negotiations Union leaders are also ex-pected to ask for information on the safeguards which the British Government is seeking on the possibility of redirection of exports from one country to on the possibility of redirection Petroleum Exporting Countries of exports from one country to said vesterday that he favoured another which could result sharp oil price increases to from a dighter rein on imports reduce world consumption.

Prices of houses rose 3 pc in third quarter | Act 'most inhibiting'

By Margaret Stone
House prices are beginning to gather momentum, according to statistics released yesterday by the Department of the Environ-ment, which show that house prices rose on average by about 3 per cent in the third quarter of 1977 and are some 51 per cent higher than they were a

year ago. The average price during the third quarter based on new mortgage approvals made in the period, was £14,120 with the average advance being in the order of £9,220

Broken down between new and old (that is, second-hand houses) the statistics show that new house prices are moving abead faster.

The average price of a new house in the third quarter of 1977 was £14.970, some 3½ per cent higher than in the second quarter and 9½ per cent higher than a year ago.

than a year ago.

The average price of a second-hand home was £13,970, about 3 per cent higher than in the previous quarter and 5 per cent higher than 12 months

Oil price rise backed Mr Ali M. Jadiah, secretary general of the Oceanization of

Committee of the Union of Independent Companies, ded it will not be possible "to get the maximum achievements in the small business area.". Francis & Lewis Ltd, The Employment Protection Act—or the Employment Pre-Fairview Road Cheltenham, Gloucestershire GL52 ZEW, October 31. vention Act, as it is more com-monly called—is the most in-

First step towards a new

design education in our univer-

1) The courses are too short (three years for a BSc as opposed to 5-6 years for a Dipl Ing).

2) The programme of study is too academic (plenty of applied mathematics and too attention to applications). 3) The absence of time in the undergraduate course for student to get involved in a design project of any real sub-stance, for which one may require many months of full

4) The lack of engineers in the universities, polytechnics, etc. with the right experience to instruct in the design of complex plant and machinery.

plex plent and machinery.

5) The lack of specialization at the universities. Rather than "produce" mechanical engineers, for example, we should be producing machine tool engineers, steel plant engineers, ships machinery engineers, etc.

The theory behind the study of engineering at universities in this country is that we give a general grounding in the relevant "sciences" and leave the application of this knowledge application of this knowledge to industry. Industry is not, however, structured to teach and

far too many young graduates-simply drift away from real engineering (is design and menufacture) into peripheral activities such as sales or teaching. I appreciate the value of hav-ing eminent engineers give the

Teaching design in civil engineering

From Professor A. J. Harris
Sir, Most dvil engineers are
concerned with getting things
built; design, the determination
of what is to be built, is capital.
Now the designer has a habit
of mind and an attitude to
knowledge quite different from
those of the sciennist. To exertise the civil engineering student
in design from the beginning of
his studies is not only to his studies is not only to familiarize him with that habit and attitude but to introduce him early to the very heart of his subject; the knowledge which he is offered will fall into

Lacking that exercise he will probably see himself as some sort of scientist, to his detriment as an engineer.

engineering education Sir, I wish to reply to the letters of Professors RoseInnes, Black and Cole. The main reasons for the weakness of a design exhibition (Professor Black).

Why stop there? Why not invite outstanding engineers and design exhibition (Professor Black). and technologists to give courses of, say, six lectures, in their own speciality? This, clearly, could only be advan-tageous if there were sufficient

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

There are innumerable

rection Act. I and others who

W. G. FRANCIS, Chairman of the Employment

Act as it stands. Yours faithfully,

Employment Protection

From Mr W. G. Francis
Sir, In Business News of October 28, Mr Lever is reported as dependent companies have to

piece of legislation

saying that "if we are hoping contend.

to get a much more perfect

response to the problem of

structural unemployment then

we will have to get the maxi-

mum achievements in the small business area". He then goes on to say that "there will be

no attempt to exempt small companies from legislation

which the Government believes

to be socially necessary—such as the Employment Protection

Mr Lever should realize, before he finalizes his recom-

mendations to the Prime Mini-

ster, that unless the Employment Protection Act is amen-

specialization in the course of That industry does not exploit the graduate engineer (nor does it sufficiently reward success) is an important point. However, if the graduate were sea when the Not better prepared before enter-ing the industrial life, industry's Yours faithfully,

ing the industrial life, industry's reaction would, hopefully, change.

I believe (and it is a belief held since I was a student 20 years ago) that the universities must adopt a more practical stance in the world and that their teaching should be better reacting in the requirements of related to the requirements of

industry.

If this country is to get back to a leading position among the advanced technological nations, we must look objectively at what our competitors are doing in education and adopt those features which lead to their

It is no wish of mine to decry the efforts made by individual educationalists. They work within a restricted environment and it is this which I would like to see changed as a first step towards a new system of engineering educa-

Yours faithfully, M. LITTLEWOOD, Managing Director, Lomir International, Whitchurch,

Cooperative way of giving up a business

From Mr M. Jones Sir, I must have just missed the easiest £1,000 I shall never earn. The answer to Mr Wilhelmy's appeal for information on how to give his business away and avoid tax is simple: give it to his colleagues at Span

Shopfitting Company. Recent legislation allows him to create a cooperative of those working in the enterprise, and he can then give the assets to the cooperative. This will allow all his colleagues to enjoy the fruits of their labours and to have a say in how the enterprise should be run and its future profits divided.

MICHAEL JONES, Director,
Michael Jones Jeweller Ltd (a working cooperative),
54 Booth Lane,
NN3 3EP. South Northampton NN3 3EP.

Challenge of marine science

From Professor D. J. Crisp and others
Sir, We share Mr D. Laurent
Giles's belief (October 21) that
our off-shore resources are of
great potential benefit and
strongly support his plan for a
more positive and coordinated
approach to their exploitation.

It is not true however, that It is not true, however, that youth remains uninformed and

examples of independent em-"youth remains uninformed and unmoved" by the possibilities presented by off-shore resources. In the University College of North Wales we are overwhelmed with young people who, attracted both by the intellectual challenge of marine priorical and by the practical pleyers refusing to expand and rake on more workpeople berause of the Employment Prorun independent companies have no wish to opt out of social and community responsibilities, as Mr Lever suggests, science and by its practical applications, want to Study it at but we are certainly not wil-lingly going to subject our-selves to the injustices of the both undergraduate and postgraduate levels. They are undis-mayed by warnings that jobs are comparatively few but most, in the end, have to accept employment unconnected with

the sea. The lack of resolution and leadership to which your correspondent refers is as evicorrespondent releas is as evident in the universities as elsewhere. We, as the largest University Marine Science Institute in the United Kingdom, have received very generous support from NERC, the research council mainly concerned with oceanography, as well as from UGC, SRC and industry. However, because none industry. However, because none of these bodies has been charged with considering specifically the total needs of marine science, our institution has dever been

provided with adequate accommodation for the research and
teaching which we strive to do.

The expertise and motivation
exist. If some of the resources
which at present go into duplication of effort and into layers of science politics and bureau-cracy could be made available to the real practitioners, it would open up much greater possibilities for this country to obtain its livelihood from the sea when the North Sea oil runs

D. J. CRISP, ofessor, DARBYSHIRE,

rofessor, E. FOGG, Professor. Department of Marine Biology, University College of North

Wales, Marine Science Laboratories, Menai Bridge, Anglesey LL59 5EH. October 24.

Legal duty of pension trustees Mrom Mr P. A. Hill

Sir, Mr Richard Morris (October 24) misses the point when he suggests that nationalised industries should avoid pension fund investment outside this country.

The point is that thus in

dustries, as trustees, have not only a right but a legal duty to invest in United States property if they judge it to be the sefest or most profitable in-The monies are not theirs,

Dor the government's nor country's to invest as politithe membership of the pension concerned. members have peid contribu-tions on the basis that their fund will be invested in their own interests. It would be quite wrong to change this principle, no matter for how Datriotic a reason. Yours feithfully,

P. A. HILL, 23 St Ann's Park Road, October 24.

From Mr J. B. Holgare
Sir, Thank you for your interesting articles on pension
fund offers for investment trusts. As a shareholder in the British Investmen. Trust, I should have welcomed realizing 98 per cent of assets; but I have not been asked.

I wonder whose interests are JOHN HOLGATE, 12 Marlow Mill, Mill Road, Marlow, Buckinghamshire, October 29,

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> Rowe & Pitman, Hurst-Brown, City Gate House, 39/45 Finsbury Square,

ploration of the scope for cost economies. The meeting was evidently a broadly based uffair, with the Government expressing its anxiety about the losses of BSC. now in excess of 2400m a year. On Friday the battleground moves to British Steel's headquarters, when the TUC steel remaining it to meet the conmajor milestone' Geneva. Nov 1 First "major milestone" in the Tokyo round of multilateral trade negotiations was reached today with the tabling of re-

Tokyo Round at 'first

quests on agriculture and non-tariff measures by several developed countries, including the EEC, the United States and Intensive discussions will fol-

Intensive discussions will tollow over the next few weeks as the effects of requests are examined by the participants. The deadline fo matching offers is January 15, when the range of Tokyo Round opportunities will be apparent for the first time.

Mr Alonzo McDonald, United States delegate, pointed out that today's requests covered two of the most delicate areas in the negotiations on which little headway had so far been registered. He said American requests included about 1,000 items in submissions to some 30 devaloned matients. developed nations. Frank Vogi writes: These

Another major American-based oil company, Texaco, has signed a final participation agreement that gives the Brit-ish National Oil Corporation a right to purchase 51 per cent American demands, represent-ing the first detailed salvo by the United States in the multi-lateral trade negotiations, seek trade concessions from develop-ing countries as well as subthe company's North Sea output.

Texaco is the sole licensee and the European Community Texaco is the sole licensea and the European Community and operator for the Turtan in agricultural trade.

The Americans hate demanded easier access to the EEC the Hamilton Brothers' Argyll for one third of their agricul-

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radiators for space heating;

metal and plate fabrication;

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process engineering.

Profit before tax increased by......28%

Earnings per share increased by30%

Dividend for year increased by27%

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tural sales to the Community, amounting to more than \$2,200m (about £1,195m) of United States sales per year. Concessions have also been sought for a similar volume of agricultural products from Japan.

These demands, which have been filed with the General Agreements on Tariffs and Trade, are in addition to broad understandings between the United States and other industrial countries on possible general industrial product tariff cuts of some 40 per cent. No country, or group of countries, has presented a list that concerns so many other

Mr Alan Wolff, Deputy United States Special Trade Representative, stated that the list represented " the beginning of the agricultural trade process in the multilateral trade

"The requests address the major concerns of our agricul-tural exporting interests to 90 countries (some 70 of which are developing countries).

"This is also the first step towards integrating the deve-loping countries into the world rrading system in a fundamen-

In regard to the European Community, Mr Wolff stressed that it is not the American intention to smash the Common Agricultural Policy.

South Africa

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New Zealand

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Australia

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Our pre-tax profits and earnings for 1976/77

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f3m order for an ocean-going tug with a Hongkong yard, despite receiving the most com-pensive tender from its own

peritive tender from its own shipbuilding subsidiary.

The company, which acquired the Selby, Yorkshire yard of Cochrane Shipbuilders last year, following the collapse of the Drypool Group, said that it had invited tenders from the Far East, British and European and the properiors of the properiors

pany or Ching wan Snippoind-ing and Engineering offered better delivery terms. But there is some console-tion for the United Kingdom

£3m British tug

United Towing has placed a

marine equipment industry on the tug contract. More than 70 per cent of the cost is repre-sented by British machinery and

yards, including Cochrane Ship-builders. United Towing said Cochrane submitted the most competitive tender, but the Hongkong com-pany of Chang Wah Shipbuild-

Hongkong yard By Peter Hill

place; an interest in construc-tion will follow naturally.

Yours, etc. A. J. HARRIS.

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Changing mood in the stock market

stockpile.

It is a measure of how little self-confidence the stock market now feels that it should have been so badly shaken yesterday by the miners' rejection of the proposed pay deal. Equities were at one stage almost 15 points lower and gilrs, ahead by up to a point in the morning, ended down by almost as much.

The contrast with the mood earlier in the summer is striking. Initial suggestions then that the miners might be siming for £135 a week for faceworkers were shrugged off with barely a second thought.

But those were the days before the benefits of the North Sea and the strength of the pound had been fully absorbed into the marker's consciousness. At present dealers are pressed to think where the next good news is going to come from, and can see all too well in terms of company profits where the bad news will arise.

Ever since the Heath confrontation, of course, the markets have always been frightened of the miners. The Ford and Leyland workers have both, in their way, been regarded as test cases, but both drew back from the brink when the issue went to

In the City's eyes the miners have now rejected an effort to give them a bit more without breaching government guidelines too visibly. There may be plenty of time left for the proposals to be revised but there was even some market talk yesterday about whether this would ruin Labour's chances of getting back in. Nowadays that is no longer

taken as a reason for rejoicing.

The wider point, for the gilt market particularly, is that the prospect of an easing in the pace of foreign money inflows because of the floating of sterling will tend to redirect market thinking much more towards domestic factors than has been the case in recent months. That will again put the wage issue into the front line.

A There was a strong feeling at the end of the first quarter of the year that institutions, aiter six months of gluttony in the gilt edged market, would start to feed on equities

The latest edition of Financial Statistics confirms that this is precisely what hapnened. The insurance companies; for instance, nut a record quarterly figure of £232m into company securities between April and June compared with £44m in the jirst quarter.

The pension funds also increased their investment in company securities, from C207m in the first quarter to £384m, the highest figure since the opening quarter of

At the same time investment in gilts tailed off, particularly among the pension funds where the net investment in gilts was down from £509m in the first three months of the year to £146m.

The ununswered question at this stage is what has happened to institutional liquidity during the third quarter, a period of aggressive gilt sales by the authorities. There is some encouragement, perhaps, in the fact that the institutions were not running down their liquidity in the second

Plassey

Becoming more cash-hungry

Plessey has admirably maintained the pace of last year's profits growth with a 19 per cent interim climb to \$21.9m pre-tax, and a 10 per cent sales rise to £293m, incorporating a climb of more than a point in operating margins to 8 per cent, reflects Plessey's continuing purge on ineffective product ranges and the benefits of widespread rationalization.

But the strains of the forced switch of emphasis towards electronics systems mainly a result of the Post Office cutbacks on the relecommunications side are evident in 43 per cent increase in the interest harge to £5.5m. Spending has totalled around £34m in the first half and borrow-

mes have climbed perhaps by £15m.

The problem is that in the past growth on the cash-hungry long-term systems side has been financed by high cash-flow from relecommunications and components. But

with telecommunications down from 35 per cent to 30 per cent of the business and electronics up from around 32 per cent to 37 per cent Plessey is having to feed an ever hungrier fire from a reducing fuel

That adds some logic to the so far onesided debate about rationalization in the electronics industry as promulgated by Racal's chairman, Mr Ernest Harrison.

Meanwhile, Plessey, with a £50m increase to £650m in its order book at the end of September, is not particularly concerned about any reduction in competitiveness as



Sir John Clarke, chairman of Plessey.

a result of the firmer pound. Maintaining present growth should result in full-year profits of around £47m to put the shares after yesterday's 4p fall to 109p on a likely p/e ratio of around 11.

Reed International

The Canadian haemorrhage

Continued improvement in the United Kingdom, apart from building and decorative products, and Europe have kept Read International's profits moving in the right direction, albeit slowly, with pre-tax growth of a seventh to £39.4m in the six months to the end of September.

But however much the paper and packaging cycle is working in its favour elsewhere it pales into insignificance alongside Reed's deepening problems in Canada. Here losses are rising at an alarming rate with a £5.6m turnaround to a deficit of £2.8m in this reporting period and a forecast that full year losses will be more than £11.1m:

The group is still taking remedial measures in the shape of cost reductions and capital spending cuts in the North American operations after the excesses of earlier years. But any immediate gain from this has been nipped in the bud by the acute weakness of pulp prices and lower demand which has also forced plant closures.

With the worst still to come in Canada, Reed's full year profits will do well to climb to £80m against last year's £74.6m. But the high tax charge of about 60 per cent will nevertheless lead to at least a 4p drop in earnings to around 21p a share, although the prospective p/e ratio is still around 8 at 164p. Reed was taking no chances yesterday by warning that the final dividend would be reviewed in the light of second half results but a maintained final would still leave cover at around 1.6 times

and the yield a comforting 12.1 per cent. The charitable view of Reed now is that most of the bad news is past. But the fact remains that the group has little chance of trading its way out of its heavy debt burden on results like this. Borrowings, however, have not risen this year, the £2.8m rise in interest charges to £19.6m in this half being due mainly to lower rates on short term denosits.

But £400m of debt is a daunting problem to deal with and disposals so far this year of £21m fail to make much of a dent. Reed is setting its face against selling any of its mainstream businesses and certainly with its present cash flow deficit the United Kingdom publishing interests. provide a good deal of revenue and require relatively little capital, come a poor second to capital intensive areas like decorative

Department stores under pressure

With Christmas less than eight weeks away, West Germany's large department store groups are gloomily forecasting that 1977 will be another year of declining profits and stagnating sales.

Karstadt, continental Europe's largest store group, today warned its shareholders that earnings in the first nine months of this year were appreciably below those of the same period of 1976.

Like its main rival Kaufhof, which published its latest interim report last week, Karstadt holds out no hope that this year's Christmas trade-even if it goes well-will bring an improvement in results.

In one important respect, Karstadt is a special case. The group is at present absorbing the Neckermann mail order, de-partment store and travel concern, which it took over last year to save from financial col-

But while Neckermann is undoubtedly an additional strain on profits, the Essen-based Karstadt group is also suffering from a general drift away from department store shopping on the part of the German con-

Last year, Germany's department stores increased their business by a mere 2.2 per cent. Specialist retailers, mail order houses and out of town hyper-markets reported sales increases ranging from 7 per cent to well over 10 per cent

In the first nine months of this year Karstadi's group turnover rose by 6.5 per cent to 5,710m Deutsche marks (£1.383m) but only by dint of an increase in sales area. After eliminating this factor, group sales increased by just 1.8 per cent, thus declining in real terms as the cost of living in Germany rose by about 4 per cent in the same period.

Kaufnor's performance was marginally worse. Group sales after adjustment for increased floor area and price increases fell by a real 3 per cent in the first three quarters of this year compared with the same period of 1976.

Germany's department stora chiefs have found that more and more consumers are getting into their cars and travelling to the city edges at weekends to cover basic needs at our of town supermarkets and hyper-markets. The specialized retail outlets in the city centres that can offer a more personal ser-vice have been matching what demand there is for luxury

A further problem for all branches of the retail trade has been the lop-sidedness of conwhich for the last two years has concentrated on new cars and holidays abroad.

The large department store groups have done their bast to meet the challenge. Luxury goods such as oriental carpets and Russian icons are now prominently displayed along-side the more traditional merchandise. Some groups, like Karstadt, have decided to phase out their low price retail outliers in city rentres. lets in city centres.

The next seven weeks should The text seven weeks should show whether the strategy has worked and whether the department store groups can make up some of the ground that they have lost.

Christmas shopping in Germany begins in earnest on Saturday and the average constructs will have not a store.

sumer will have more to spend this year as Boan's decision to reduce the taxation of Christ-mas bonuses should boost individual pay packets at the end of November by between 66

For this relief much thanks.

As always, Shakespeare seems to have a word for it. Fransisco at the beginning of Hamlet

For this relief much thanks; 't'is bitter cold, And I am sick at heart"

-and that about sums up the reaction of the average small businessman to the measures announced by the Chancellor in his recent mini-budget to help boost morale in the small firm sector.

More action is promised by Mr Harold Lever, when his urgent review is completed, and many commentators suggest that at last the small business is having its shackles of over-taxation and over-regulation pro-gressively removed.

Surely, when that is done, the small firm sector will make the decisive contribution clearly needed from it to relieve our dire unemployment situation and help remedy the shortage of new high added value products which Britain needs to be competitive in world mar-kets in the 1980s!

But will enough be done to release the burst of energy necessary to halt the steady decay of the past 30 years and recreate a healthy and expand-ing small firm sector? The measures needed to bring about such a transformation must of necessity match the enormity of the problem—for there are over one million small firms, employing some seven million people (about 30 per cent of the employed population) and creating 20 per cent of our national product. A £100m booster rocket won't exactly put that lot into orbit. To create a million extra jobs in industry is poing to need a toral "in-put" of the order of \$10,000m m for 000m, that is \$10 000 to \$20,000 per job—and that's a lower me of investment than

the subsidy reportedly offered to Ford for creating jobs in Wales. So that, even allowing for the fact that creating new jobs is relatively cheaper in the labour-intensive small firm sector, my judgment must at present be that the Government does not appear to have begun to contemplate measures which are far-reaching enough to solve our problems.

Of course, much thanks for the improved capital transfer tax reliaf, but before the minibudget, the tax burden on transferring a business from a father to his sons in Britain was estimated to be some six times that prevailing in Germany—perhaps it is now only two or three times higher than the German level—and how the German level—and how about the remaining threat of a

wealth tax?

Much thanks for the changes raising the level of profit that can be retained in a close company without compulsory dividends from £5,000 to £25,000 and for raising the top limit for abatement—but how about the dead weight of deferred tax on stock appreciation still showod stock adorecistion still show ing as a liability on small (and large) company balance sheets —while that remains subject to possible claw-back, not only is company's ability to berrow

a company's ability to borrow seriously restricted but on small company owner in his right mind would take the risk of expanding his business regardless with that lethal liability hanging over his head.

Much thanks for the Market Entry Guarantee Scheme (MEGS) loans of 50 per cent of "eligible overheads" incurred in opening up a market curred in opening up a market overseas, even though it will bear a commercial rate of in-terest—but the very words "eligible overheads" are engiple overheads" are anough to chill the ardour of all but the most determined export enthusiast—he still remembers the

export entitistatione still remembers the time when a deduction was made from his "elimble" overseas travel costs to disallow the living costs he s should boost indipackets at the end er by between 56 wiks.

Peter Norman

The bottom of measures in future to help people starting businesses by

John Bolton (right), chairman of the

Committee of Inquiry on Small Firms, argues that the Government has not begun to contemplate measures

climate to encourage potential entrepreneurs to start the tens

of thousands of new businesses which we need to ensure that

for the many new vantures which will fail, what we need is for all investors in them to be

Much thanks for long over-

that one up in the first place) and for the bope of capital gains tax relief on losses of

monies advanced by way of

losses, when they are allowable automatically for subsidiaries of large companies through the

medium of grouping tax losses?

Much thanks for the possi-

loans or bank guarantees.

a few will prosper greatly.

that will solve the problems of small businesses



allowing initial losses to be offachemes for helping farmers settable against earlier income, but if this only applies to unincorporated businesses it will prove to be an illusory incentive for the men we hope will create the new businesses captable of the men businesses captable of the men we have the control of the con and proprietors of unincorporated businesses to grow, but Switzerland allows similar provisions for all businesses.

In another context, the assertion that social measures like the Employment Protection Act will of course still apply to small businesses seems to me to be a hanner to crack the assertion of the seems occasional small business " But " which is a bad employer. Most, if not all, people who

create the new businesses capable of growing into the next generation of large businesses.

The need is for a complete tax holiday for (say) the first five years of life of a genuine "start-up" company provided profits are ploughed back, if we are to create a totally new climate to encourage notential work in small firms do so from choice—they prefer the atmosphere of the small unit, of knowing their boss and all their other workmates, of knowing they matter to the firm and its customers and in feeling real pride of achievement in the In Eire, for example, generous capital grants and a 10-year tax holiday on export profits are offered to encourage pride of achievement in its success. The record of low strike levels and lower absent-eeism, even sometimes in the face of lower wages than they could obtain in hig firms, tells

But if the risk of lengthy industrial tribunal proceedings—which for a small firm means the equally lengthy absence of for all investors in them to be able to charge losses against the top rate of their other, or previous, taxable income on the lines which operate in the United States, if we roally want individuals to "back their hunches"—as no institution can do—and face the prodigious risks involved. the boss himself—and the fear that a wrong decision on taking on a new employee could lead to, what would be for a small them has to be weighed in the balance of whether to "stay as we are" or take all the other risks involved and expand—all due reconsideration of the assessment to panal rates of tax on the deemed distribution when "first business loans" are paid back (who ever dreamt that one up in the first place) too many small businesses are going to play it safe and to hell with the unemployment prob-lem. Is this really what we want, or isn't some more sen-sible and more appropriate solution capable of being devised? But why should it be made virtually impossible for an in-dependent company which fails to rescue anything from the wreck by way of saling its tax

When also is needed? Perhaps the critical factor, outside the area of taxation, is to ensure their adequate working capital and permanent capital is available to permit expansion in spite of inflation which itself means that more resources are Much thanks for the possi-bility of investment reserve tion. This must require some

form of priority for small business borrowing from the clearing banks, since the researches of the Committee of Inquiry on Small Firms showed that over 90 per cent of small firms approached no one but their friendly local bank manager for ourside finance.

There are some 14,000 bank managers up and down the country and they alone can satisfy the working capital needs of the small firm sector and hence make a reality out of the steps taken to reduce long-term unemployment. They must have every encouragement to be even more entrepreneurial (and many are very much so) in their approach and a "priority lending" tag would be the most powerful method of providing this encouragement.

Exceptional cases, where export growth, import saving potential or important new propotential or important new product developments of an unusual nature created the need for working capital in excess of normal prudent banking limits, then, and only then, should a government insurance scheme, on the lines perhaps of developments in the United States and operated through the clearing bank network, be brought into action to cover the excess horrowing requirement. rowing requirement.

Again, the local bank man-ager network is the only one capable of servicing over one million small firms and any government loan scheme which removed the banks from the front-line responsibility would be counter-productive. Even "prudent banking limits" could be taken down and given a bit of a dusting over. In general terms British banks will lend approximately the same amounts as the total of proprietors' capital and reserves remined in a small business-a

1 to 1 ratio. During Japan's economic miracle, their banks loaned three or four times the proprietors' net assets to get the fly-wheel of expansion spinning. I'm not suggesting anything as wild as that, but a 1.1 to 1 ratio would be a useful 10 per cent expansion in "prudent banking limits " and small firms already pay an insurance premium to the banks by way of higher rates of interest than large firms, to cover what I'm assured is nevertheless the satisfactorily low loss record on small loans.

Finally, for more permanent loan or equity capital, every effort must be made to channel more of our total savings be se from the large insurance or a panies, pension funds and other institutions, into which tax incentives encourage us to channel them, down into the wealth creating base of the economy.

The committee of inquiry researches revealed that total lending (including property mortgage finance) by these great institutions to the small firm sector (which is creating 20 per cent of the gross national product) is a derisory 0.3 per

As a start, changes should be made in the provisions of the Insurance Companies (Valuation of Assais) Regulations 1976, which had the we'll meaning intention of curbing the activities of possible fringe insurance companies, bu' which effectively means that an insurance company investing in a new, or as yet barely profitable, private as yet barely profitable, private company has to write the value of its investment down to nil in its books. Again, have we really got our priorities right if we are now determined to encourage the growth of the small firm sector?

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Business Diary: Enter Edwardes • Economics is bunk

i cyland corporate executives were wondering yesterday, the oute's new full-time chairman. dichael Edwardes, if and how he will shake up the manage-

and structure. Ldwardes, formerly chairman of the Chloride Group, is known to be keen on forming an "inner cabinet" of four-himand three executive vice lensiness as heads of divisional

The chairman, who could on well put himself in charge of the troubled car division, has the support of Alex Park, ermerly chief executive, as one of the vice chairmen and could name the other two shortly Statisticantly, Edwardes chose a began his rule over the state-



esterday: better late than

controlled empire not at the big Leyland beadquarters in Marylebone Road, London but at the company's showrooms in Piccadilly. This immediately led to concern among the 500-trong head office exist that cuts are head office staff that cuts are on the way.

Edwardes has taken over the office of the company's last fulltime chairman, Lord Stokesnow the BL president—but de-clined to allow photographers to picture him at his desk vesterday because, he said, the office had been stripped of His first task will be to

arrange meetings with the exist-ing board of directors and senior executives to work out s new plan of campaign.

The National Enterprise Board, as holder of the Leyland purse strings, is due to present the Government with a review the company's prospects within the next month and Edwardes, formerly a member of the NEB, will be keen to show that he is working quickly to restore morale among emplayees, dealers and customers. To help him, Edwardes has brought to Levland his snokesman at Chloride, John McKay,

personal assistant. In line with the detailed outlicity Britain's most notorious remoters duly noted that Edwardes arrived for work nearly an hour late wearing a black sported tie and nink shirt. He was also driven to the office in an out-of-production

Triumbh estate car although Leyland said later he would soon be travelling in a "top of the range" Juguar or Daimler. M Van Meir Wood, the new president of the Institution of Civil Engineers, laid into the



Civil Engineer's Aian Muir Wood: third time lucky?

economists in his inaugural speech last night. Economists, he said, bear a heavy responsibility for the state of their respective nations, but often don't know what they are talking about.

Tuey debble in scientific and mathematical methods and jarwithout understanding them, and were too quick too ignore facts that did not fit their preconceived notions.

"Two further defects of most economists" Muir Wood continued "are, first, they theorize without a sense of personal responsibility (who . . . ever heard of an economist resigning for a false prediction?) and second, that they lack experience of practical work and have no feel for the skills and the organizations they classify as

As befits a man so adept at undermining positions, Muir Wood is one of the world's leading tunnellers. He is a partner of Sir William Halcrow Partners and has been associated with work on the succeeded as ICE president over 30 sculptors is represent who want Saturdays off."

John Baxter, senior partner of John Baxter, senior partner of Maunsell Consultants.

Muir Wood said last night that Britain led the first industrial revolution—that of simple industry—and the Americans the second, that of maximizing consumption. He now sees Britain poised to lead a third, that of "industrial husbatdry" by "industrial husbandry" by virtue of her skills and resili-ence. Economists excepted of

Many City interiors will be looking brighter from the beginning of next month, as thry begin to sprout sculpture urder a rental scheme operated by the design consultants MacDonald Rowe and the Royal Society of British Sculptors.

The idea, Michael Mac-Donald told Business Diary yesterday, is that sculptures can be hired for £10 per piece per week, and be replaced by orliers every three months. Places of work will be more interesting. British sculptors receive both income and expowie—and everbody's happy. Or are they?

MacDonald said that al-mough "two or three dozen" firms had signed up, many others were hangine back to see what kind of sculpture was on offer. Memories of those Tate bricks linger on, perhaps. Over at the RSBS, the presi-

dent, Michael Rizzello, told us that the society's selection committee has now picked the first 100 or so works and al-though "a good cross-section of what's being done today, it's by no means way out ".

ted, ranging in size from 24inch ballet figures by Nathan David to a life-size figure by Franta Belsky.

W Over half the 164 Leyland buses owned by the Lagos State Transport Corporation are to be scrapped because of alleged manufacturing defects, according to the newspaper New Nigerian. Chief Amuzat Adebowale, the

corporation chairman, is said to have ordered 200 more buses from Mercedes Benz following accusations that Leyland failed to supply spare parts and to honour guarantees.

This is a familiar enough sort of gripe against the corpora-tion, and we won't know Leyland's side of the story for some time—and that's the Nigerians' fault, not Leyland's. Leyland International have authorized a team of engineers to go to Lagos and get the buses back on the road, regardless of expense. An: so they would, were it not for the fact that after three weeks there is still no sign of the Nigerian authorities coming up with their

A picture of the buses shows the . to look extremely bat-tered but this is attributed nor to their treatment at the hands of Lagos drivers but to defective parts, among them steering

The local council at Kitchener Ontario, Canada, is doing its best to restrict weekend work at its cemeteries. It has raised fees by £27 to £95 for weekend burials and by £13 to £79 for burial services. Week day There is, for example, even hurials without service cost a life-size bust of Churchill by 165. A council official said: John Douglas. The work of "We are backing our workers,

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Mallinson-Denny set for further improvement in second half

By Alison Mitchell

Mallinson-Denny, the inter-national timber group headed by Sir Frederick Catherwood, seems to be riding out the de-pression in the building trade. Despite a slight downturn in the United Kingdom contribution, the group showed a near 10 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £4.65m in the six months to June 30 last, against 14.26m. Turnover rose by over a quarter from £75.7m to £95.6m leaving margins almost a full point tighter at 4.8 per

These results take in a first These results take in a first time contribution from American acquisition Thompson Mahogany. Managing director and deputy chairman, Mr. Thomas Macpherson, revealed that this outfit chipped in around £300,000.

Trading in Mallinson's main markets abread America

markets abroad—America, the Far East and Australasia—has been buoyant in the first half and this is expected to continue throughout the rest of the year. However as the level of house



Frederick

continued to stagnate, this side of the business failed to hold

But there has been an im-provement since June. Despite the lack of statistical evidence Mr Macpherson is convinced

that there has been a definite upturn in the number of house starts. The order book for the group's roof support division has been lengthened from one week to eight and there is more

business in the pipeline. Because of the group's wide-spread of interests—in timber, manufacturing and general merchanting—it has been less sus-ceptible to the price fluctuations of softwood: a factor which has hit the profits of many smaller

The group also benefited this time round from the timing of its financial year end. Because it runs with the calendar year the buoyant January to March period has been taken in to first quarter results.

However the directors are confident that the second half will show further improvement. They hint that the year end could see pre-tax profits of could see pre-tax profits of around £9.4m against £9.27m. This could leave Mallinson as one of the few major timber companies to show an increase

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'Ribbons' spices cash call with fine year

By Bryan Appleyard

"W" Ribbons Holdings, the
nylon and polyester webbing
group, has announced a 19 per
cent prairis increase, a one-forthree rights issue and the purchase of the remaining 25 per

boosts last year's earnings per share to 18.47p against 9.52p as shown in the accounts and 14.22p this year.

The group is benefiting in France and Germany, where it

makes complete car sear belts, from legislation enforcing belts But the biggest success story of the year was the 75 per cent owned subsidiary Lolift (UK) which makes a flexible one ton

bulk container. The parent is buying out the remaining 25 per cent for

£50,000 cash and the issue of 350,000 new shares. The board estimate that this 25 per cent would have contributed an extra £100,000 profit last year.

The rights issue is to raise £593,000 and is at 50p per share against a price before the announcement of 67p. The cent of a subsidiary.

In the year to June 30 the group made £1.1m pretax against £910,000 the year before on turnover up from £14.8m to £15.2m.

Below the line a change in deferred tax

ing ratio of 95 per cent. BSG International, which has 28 per ceut, has agreed to take up its rights in full.

The final dividend is 1.93p gross making a total of 3.4015p. This year the board says that it expects to be able to recommend a total gross payout of 5p per share.

The shares lost 2p to 65p yesterday, putring them on an ex-rights price of 61p where they yield prospectively 8.2 per

Stock markets

Heavy selling on pound and miners sends index below 500 again

The miners' decision to reject their productivity dead coming on top of the generally bearish view of the Government's move on sterling proved too much for equities which had sheir worst y for six welcs.

Disregarding better news from British Leyland and Brirish Oxygen, the session begin with a widespread mark-down, which was followed in the two hours before kunck by some heavy selling.

Though a slightly better tone prevailed thereafter as the bears a closed down the FT Index was still 13.4 lower at The implications of the miners' decision for the current round of pay talks turned the fixed-interest market back from early gains which had stretched to a full point at the long end of the range.

But favourable thoughts about inflation and the money supply were soon forgonen as the sellers came in end, by the close, most longs were around three-quarters of a point beolar their overnight levels. Shorter maturities fell by amounts of up to half a point.

At 53p down 1p, IMI shares are setting perilously close to the 52p offer price for which applications close tomorrow. The offer is still expected to go well as institutions take the approximation of increasing their opportunity of increasing their holdings in a front-line engineering company while sav-ing commissions and stamp duty worth 140 a share. But it is looking finely priced and the modest turn is unlikely to bring

Once again the biggest fells among the "blue chips" were reserved for the major exporters like Beecham, which dipped 17p to 620p, after touching 615p, ICI which slipped 9p to 387p, after 385p, and Unilever at 558p and Glaxe at 613p, both off by 14o.

But banks and gold shares bot cured as sectors going ag: the trend, the former in the that interest rates will not full further and the latter a much firmer metal price.

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Pleasey (I) 293.1(266.9)

Roberts Adlard (I) 3.9(3.7)

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clearers, but elsowhere in the financial sector, shares succumbed to the general trend. with Schroders 20p to 470p and Cater Ryder 7p to 318p being particularly hard hit.

In mines, diamonds featured De Beers which rose 16p to 260p and among the "heavyweight gold issues gains ranging up to a full point were scored by Buffelsfontein at £9.50, Rand-fontein £27.62, Harties at £10.50, and West Dries at £19.37.

Other major exporters to lose ground heavily included Mothercare 8p to 196p, Thorn 12p to 410p, Gesteiner 7p to 155p and Wedgwood at 214p. But Horizon Midland continued to gain ground on the prospect of cheaper holidays, adding 4p to 57p, while isolated gains were to be found in the property sector, with rises of a few penco from MEPC 130p, Daelan 61p and Land Securities at 214p.

Shipping shares are a sector very much out of favour at the moment, mainly because of an adverse circular and their higher overseas earnings con-

While most dealers on the pitch feel this reaction is rether overdone British & Commonwealth was sold heavily, losing 13p to 267p and Ocean finished three points lower at 126p. Both Lofs, at 37p, and European Ferries, at 943p, stand not least because they both have foreign currency loans. In the event, this did little for them and they were both a point or so lower at the end.

Back on the industrial front, Dunlog slipped 5p to 93p after news of a pay claim said to be of more than 25 per cent. Other well-known names to fall heavily included Booker McConnell, by 8p to 225p, and in the building sector. Cape Industries 6p to 110p, SGB 6p to 130p and Costain 8p to 282p.

Two major names reporting were Pleasey, off 4p to 109p, and Reed, which ended with a fall of 11p to 164p. The electronics group succumbed to the general trend in spite of record profits and a record backlog of

Latest results

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Both Lloyds at 255p and orders, while Reed's fall was Midland at 345p managed rises more comprehensible after of three points among the lower profits and details of both cases, the key to the share reaction was figures which were below most market expectations.

A couple o fstores shares in retreat were Gus "A" 8p to 324p and Debenhams 4p off at 103p. The major oils were also well down on exchange-rate considerations an dthough dealers were again rather sceptical of this bearish view, Shell shed 22p to 558p and BP 12p to 876p.

A sudden flurry of interest m Gas and Oil Acreage, quoted under Rule 163, lifted the shares gnder Rule 105, lifted the sources for to 105p. While the hope of good news from the Buchan Field was an obvicus incentive, there is also talk of a full quototion before the end of the year at a price of exp. In addition to five per cent of Buckon GOAL has stakes in other blocks and a gos interest in Italy.

After interim figures, Ham-After interim figures, Hambros Investment Trust held
steady at 90p, but Mallimson
Denny, the timber group,
shipped 2p to 48p, after figures
which were described as "not
too bad", and "W" Ribbons
lest 2p to 65p after a rights issue.

Three to rise on the prospect of cheaper imports were inverse at 79p, Photo-Me 205p and Heron Motor at 82p. Speculative attention helped E. Upton to gain 5p to 33p at one stage and another in demand was WG Allen, 6p to the good at

Equity turnover on October 31 was £84.07m (15,710 bargains). According to Exchange Telegraph, setive stocks yesterday were ICI, Shell. Gus "A", GKN, BAT Dfd, Glaxo, BAT Ind, Grand Metropolitan, Hawker Siddeley, Marks & Spencer, Unilever, BP, Royal, Bowater, Tate & Lyle, Reed Group, British & Commonwealth, Mining Supplies, De Beers, Gestetner

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for redemption on November 15, 1977 (\$2,800,000 principal amount through operation

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture dated as of March 15, 1971 providing for the above Debentures, said Debentures aggregating \$5,600,000 principal amount bearing the following serial numbers have been selected thereof, together with accrued interest to said date:

DEBENTURES OF \$1,000 EACH

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with coupons due November 15, 1978 and subsequent coupons attached at the main offices of any of the following: Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, 15 Broad Street, New York, New York 10015: Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York in Brussels, Frankfurt am Main, London, Paris and Zurich; Benca Vonwiller

Dated: October 12, 1977

Payment will be made upon presentation and surrender of the above Debentures & C.S.p.A. in Milao and Rome; Bank Mees & Hope NV in Amsterdam; and Kredietbank S.A. Lixembourgeoise in Luxembourg. Coupons due November 15, 1977 should be detached and collected in the usual manner.

On and after November 15, 1977 interest shall cross to accrue on the Debentures

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NOTICE

The following Debentures previously called for redemption have not as yet been presented for payment:

Sirdar set to do even better

Having bearen film pre-tax for the first tame in 1976-77, Sirder, the bandleraft products group, is optimistic. Turnover in both the Sirdar and Hayfield aubidicaties is showing a "good increases" in the current year, Mrs Jean Tyrell, chairman, reports in her annual statement. She is confident this level of business will be maintained.

After a temporary serback in

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After a newporary semback in Burope, Sirdar's offshoots are being reorganized. The chairman does not however expect a rapid recovery. In 1976-77, £1.25m was invested in new plant, assisted by government grants of £387,000. Investment in plant and buildings for the correst year will be similar,

Barrow Hepburn in deal with ALH

Berrow Hepburn is buying a portfolio of listed investments valued at £2m from a subsidiary of Arbushnor Laubam Holdings. Barrow is giving 3.8m of new shares for the portfolio. Of this ALH will keep what will be 9.9 per cent of the Barrow equity, and place the other 1.32m shares.

The main element in the portfolio is a 26 per cent holding in Weston-Ewans group, a similar state in Banbridge Holdings and 25 per cent of Yorkshire and Lancashire Investment Trust.

Smaller loss from Midhurst White

Midinurst White

The reduction of losses at Middurst White Holdings from £151,000 to £82,000 for the year to March 31 indicates an "improving pattern". But a small trading loss is expected by the board for the half year to September 30. The new chairman of this property, investment and brickmaking group, Mr D. Heimann, says that interest rates and the improvement in the economy will help, and he expects that the group will expand, as and when profitable opportunities occur.

LONDON AND NORTHERN
Northern Land Contractors, one of the group's subsidiary holding companies, has agreed to sell its \$3.17 per cent therebolding in Compressor Services to Etangin, a new company formed for the purpose of acquining CSL. With repayment of net andebtedness and a consideration of £30,000, Northern Land will receive £482,020 during November.

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"I look forward with optimism to further improved results" Mrs. J. M. Tyrrell Challenge Steday land

Mrs. J. M. Tyrrell

In her annual statement to shareholders, Mrs. J. M. Tyrrell, Chairman of Sirdar Limited, reports that the increase in turnover evident in the first half of the year continued. Pre-tax profits at the year end showed an increase of 20% over last year's figure. The maximum permissible final dividend is therefore recommended.

Mrs. Tyrrell also says: "Despite the general economic conditions, indeed perhaps assisted by them, sales of hand knitting yarns have flourished. An increasing realisation amongst consumers that it is possible to economise whilst creating for themselves unique fashion garments has revitalised the hand knitting scene.

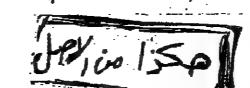
The sales of Sirdar yams reached a new record and made the major contribution to the results achieved this year.

Regrettably the group performance has been marred by that of our European subsidiaries. Trading conditions in Switzerland have been particularly difficult this year and in Germany margins have been extremely low and the results from this area of operations have been most disappointing.

During the year £1,250,000 has been invested in new plant. Investment in plant and buildings for the current year will be similar to that of last year.

Forecasting in these uncertain times is indeed hazardous but turnover in both Sirdar and Hayfield is showing a good increase in the current year. I am confident that this level of business will be maintained and I therefore look forward with optimism to further improved results."

Summary of Results	Year endo	er ended 30 June 17 1976		
Tumover Profit before tax Profit after tax Ordinary Dividend	£ 16,435,012 1,136,191 1,039,326 208,755	£ 13,509,246 942,519 727,469 184,678		
Dividend Cover Return on Shareholders funds Earnings per Ordinary Share are try	4.9 20.5%	.3.9 20.1%		



Ductile forecasts a first half n drop in profits and dividend

By Victor Felstead.

A warning on both dividends and profits is contained in the annual report of Mr Ronald Sidaway, the chairman of Willenhall-based Ductile Steels. At present, the group companies are working at only about 70 per cent of normal capacity and, he cannot see the group equalling in the first half of the current year the "exceptional results" achieved in the first half of last year. Then Ductile had substantial stock profits.

profits. For the year to July 2 last, Ductile paid existing share-holders an increase in dividends of about 16 per cent, mainly because of the issue of the additional shares relating to the takeover of Newmans Tubes. However, Mr Sidaway warns will not arise and by this time shareholders that, if restrictions next year Ductile Steels in are continued, shareholders will common with all other common with



pext year Ductile Steels, in common with all other com-

Ducule's activities cover steel rerolling and stockholding, tubes and fittings and engineer-The chairman explains that group direct exports have value, but its home trade has fallen mainly, in his view, he cause of the inability of the group's most important custoner, the motor industry, to produce sufficient volume

The main reason for this, the chairman continues, is the series of crippling strikes in the industry which have enabled foreign competitors to secure: a "frightening share of the The year under review has

seen the commissioning of three major capital projects at Duc-tile Cold Mill. Dudley Port Rolling Mills and Monmore Tubes. Capital expenditure during the year reached £1.8m and in the current year, the group plans to invest a similar sum.

Rain should top up profits at Lawtex

The wet weather of the past boosts total group profit to few days is 'unlikely to make £458,000 against a previous as much an impact on the profits of umbrella-maker Lawtex as it mean once have done.

The Manchester based group now makes around four fifths of its turnover from the manufacture and marketing of clothing. It is continuing to diversify out of the umbrella industry. However, in the year to June 25 last this division boosted its sales by 49 per-cent to £1.87m, hoisting pre-tast profits to £78,000 compared with a loss of £66,000.

And Mr Gerbart Schoefer, chairman, reports in his annual statement that an increasing proportion of this division's turnover is not dependent on seasonal influences. The clothing division increased its sales by 60 per cent to £7.9m produc-ing a profit of £380,000. This

£21,000.

Since June the order book has been maintained at a satisfactory level despite increasing foreign competition. However, the chairman is confident that the Lawrex policy of quality and customer service has belped the group to overcome this

Much of the group's improvement over the past year has resulted from a management reorganization which has devolved more responsibility to the boards of the subsidiaries, and there should be more to come from this change, according to the chairman.

Improved productivity in the factories last year saw the

In connexion with the placing, the Treasury has agreed to Myddleton paying a total dividend of 10p gross for the current year. This would be an increase of about 42 per cent over 1976-77's payment.

Britain's Pirelli has begun a two-year £3m expansion and conversion programme to in-crease capacity of both its Cinturato steel and nylon belted radial ply car, and tubeless truck tyres by 50 per cent by the end of 1979.

Pirelli expansion.

The project, for which the Government is to provide over \$400,000, will benefit both the United Kingdom factories, st Burton-on-Trent and Carlisle, by a programme combining additional sophisticated plants with modernization of much

Corporation, the third largest integrated electric machinery

Mitsubishi said that a fore-

cast of net income was not

available yet because of diffi-culties in calculating after-tax income given certain conditions.

such as the sharp rise in the

eurlier.

Much of the increased cape-city for high technology tyres will be used to supply Pirelli's 70 export markets, to which the company increased sales by 45 per cent between 1974 and 1976.

.In the last two years the United Kingdom concern has also played an increasingly sigmiscent role in Pireli Inter-national group exports, supply-ing Burton and Carlisle made radials to fulfil orders acquired by overseas Pirelli companies. While the home tyre replacewhile the nome tyre replacement market is expected to show only modest growth. Pirelli Ltd predicts a growing demand for its new radial pro-

BP Canada ahead

per shere for the same period in 1976. It was restated to con-form with an accounting change

Mitsubishi Electric up 15 pc International

maker in Japan, said that its net profit for the first half-year to September 30 totalled 4.639 billion yea. This was up adopted in 1977 in respect of aflocation of costs within periods in the year. This change has the effect of

15.3 per cent from 4.024 billion yen in the year before. Sales during the half-year 380.148 billion yen, up 13.9 per cent from 339.00 billion yen. increasing net income for the first nine months of 1976 by \$500,000, but will have no effect Exports accounted for 14.3 per on income for the full year. cent of sales. They were 54.3 billion yen, up 17.3 per cent from 46.3 billion yen a year Both major sectors of operacrease in net income, although earnings from the manufacture and sale of petroleum products The group forecast its sales for the year to next March 31 at 786 billion yen compared with 696.288 billion yen.

are still unsatisfactory. Net sales and services were E476mi compared to \$399m. during the same period in 1976. Income before income taxes was \$55,400,000 compared to \$36.0m last year.

Thiess coal funding

value of the Yen.

However, earnings should not be hurt seriously by the rise of the Yen because about 70 per cent of exports are made in Yen. Sales of electronics machinery totalled 113.9 billion yen, up '21.3 per cent from 93.9 billion. Those of home electric appliances were 106.2 billion yen, an increase of 15.4 per cent. Brisbane.—Thiess Holdings said that its A\$70m expansion of open cast facilities at the or open cast facilities at the South Blackwater coal mine will be partially funded by a Bank of New South Wales-led consortium loan of A530m.

In its annual report for the year to June 30, Thiess explains the loan agreement approvides for per cent.
Sales of heavy electrical equipment were 96.2 billion yen, a rise of 9.7 per cent from 87.7 billion yen, and those of small electric machinery such as motors were 63.8 billion yen, up 5.8 per cent from 60.3 billion yen, yen.

the loan agreement provides for drawdowns to coincide with the period of greatest expenditure at the Queensland mine and repayments to coincide with the achievement of increased proachievement of increased pro-ductivity and profitability. Thiess gave no further details but elsewhere in the report it noted capital expenditure in the current trading year will rise to A\$34m from A\$1.6m. Thiess said that it plans to lift the South Blackwater mine's annual capacity to 2 million

annual capacity to 2 million tonnes from around 700.000. It expects two large draglines to be used for coal extraction to be set up by 1979. Thiese raised attributable profits to A\$12.62m in the year from A\$11.24m.—Reuter.

Anglo-Transvaal

Mr Basil Hersov, chairman of Anglo-Transvaal Industries, tells shareholders in his review of the year to June 30 that the business climate was again dominated by recession. South Africa grew more slowly then ever before since the end of the ever before since the end of the war. The country was short of investment capital and "a number of major capital pro-jects have therefore been deferred, with detrimental effects on business in general and on the engineering and con-structional industries in par-ticular". However, the group ticular". However, the group was poised to adapt quickly to any recovery in business.

Nippon's windfall

Tokyo.-Nippon Oil expects show only modest growth.

Pirelli Ltd predicts a growing demand for its new radial pro
BP Canada ahead

BP Canada shead

BP Canada shead 30, 1977, was \$32.0m. or \$1.52 a dividend of six yen per share common share, compared to a of 50 yen par value, including restated \$19,900,000 or 94 cents an interim dividend of three per share for the same period in 1976. It was restated to conform with an accounting change

profits for the first half year to September 30 to 7.94 billion yen after a much bigger ex-change profit.

Nippon returned an exchange profit of 13.81 billion yen, compared with 5.76 billion profit in the same period of last year.-Reuter.

German bank study

Frankfurt.—Berliner Handels-und Frankfurter Bank expects 1977 German dividend yields, including the new corporation tax credit for domestic snareholders, to range up to 8 per

cent.
The bank said in a study that the power utility Berliner Kraft-Und Licht (BENAG) is expected to yield 7.9 per cent for its 1976-77 business year while in the chemical sector 7.5 per cent is predicted for Hoechst and 7.4 for Bayer. The study did not give year-ago figures since this is the first fiscal year under the corporation tax law reform and the 1976 figures are not comparable.—Reuter.

Rapid-American Corp

The Rapid-American Corporation says that it began its previously and unded exchange offer under which \$750 principal of Rapid's new 103 per cent sinking fund debentures due in 2003 will be offered for each \$1,000 principal of 6 per cent sinking fund debentures due in 1988. Interest in the new 104 per cent debentures is payable quarteriv, and the exchange offer will expire on November 30.

Kauri Hldgs loss

Kauri Holdings, of Australia, a pimber-producing and selling subsidiary of Denmark's East Asiatic Company, says its net loss for the year ended August
31 was \$A1.2m (about £740,000)
compared with a loss of
\$A807,000 a year errier. The
company ascribed the loss to
depressed trading conditions in all its main operational areas, citing specifically "unfavourable economic couditions currently affecting the building industry". Sales for year fell to SA30.9m from \$A31.3m a year earlier.

Gen Electric (US)

Mr Reginald Jones, chairman par Reginald Jodes, chairman of the General Electric Company of America, has told shareholders that 1977 earnings could be about \$4.70 to \$4.80 a share against \$4.12 last year. Apelysts' estimates of earnings this year of between \$4.70 and \$4.80 are in the ball park, the chairman said.

Hudson Bay Mining

Hudson Bay Mining and Smeloing, part of the Canadian enions of the can Corporation of South Africa group, has increased its stake in Canadian Merrill, an oil and gas company, from 49.2 per cent to \$61.5m by a \$4m co of debenture shares.

Balance sheet stronger at Howard & Wyndham

Edioburgh-based Howard and Wyndham has maintained a healthy balance sheet during the healthy balance sheet during the heast financial year, despite continuing losses from theatrs finerests.

In the 12 months to June 30 clusing down losses will be partly cushioned by Arts Council grants. Arranged through the City of Oxford and the Greater Manchester Council, the subsidies will enable the group to operate its theatres in

rowings (long-term loans in creased from £2m to £2.2m in the period) and higher interest rates left financial charges up 130,000 at £301,000. In the year the theatre interests made a loss of £155,000 and the group has the subsidies will enable the subsidies will enable the group to operate its theetres in the subsidies will enable the group to operate its theetres in the subsidies will enable the group to operate its theetres in the subsidies will enable the group to operate its theetres in the subsidies will enable the group to operate its theetres in the subsidies will enable the group to operate its theetres in the cut operate its theetres in the subsidies will enable the group to operate its theetres in these cities until December. On the publishing side, newly acquired Hawthorn Books Inc. of New York will become an exception of group experts to the subsidies will enable the group to operate its theetres in these cities until December. On the publishing side, newly acquired Hawthorn Books Inc. of New York will become an exception of group experts to the subsidies will enable the group to operate its theetres in the subsidies will enable the subsidies will enable the group to operate its theetres in the publishing side, newly acquired Hawthorn Books Inc. of New York will become an exception of group experts to the subsidies will enable the subsi

LCP buys a' steel group for £1m cash

LCP Holdings has paid film cash for RKB Steals (Shefield). From its base near Rotherham, it operates as a merchant in carbon and alloy steels and is a specialist supplier to the forging industry.

HKB will become part of the metals division of LCP Holdings, forming a natural extension to the range of carbon

tension to the range of carbon steels marketed by LCP Steel Products, Dariaston, It will also

LCP metals division to further penetrate the Scottish steel market by developing its presence at the LCP Airdrie depot, which will consolidate the which will consolidate the group's Scottish and Northern

Warning on margins at Sanderson

The rates of production and delivery improved during the year at Sanderson Murray & Eider, says Mr P. Williams, chairman, in his annual state-ment. Margins in the second half rose and profits included realized gains on conversion of foreign exchange associated with the South African sub-

Since the spring prices have declined, and from june there has been less new business, with depressing effects on complement this by the additional alloy range covered by the Sheffield company. The present managing director of HKB. Mr K. Reed, will continue in office.

It is now the intention of the lit is now the intention of the little litt support in the major wool growing countries major wood growing countries make lower prices doubtful at present rates of exchange.

The prospects for the current year are difficult to forecast adds Mr Williams.

1977 gains tax reform

Estates Duries Investment Trust (EDITH) has quickly exploited a change in the law relating to capital gains tax, and it holds out more hope for herd-pressed private company sbareholders.

EDITH is a listed grust which le 42 per cent owned by the Industrial and Commercial Finance Corporation. It specialises in unlisted invest-ments in which it buys shares but, unlike ICFC, it does not provide funds.

provide funds.
In the past purchases of shares by the issue of its own shares have been dogged by the 30 per cent capital gains tax the vendor must pay. But the 1977 Finance Act reduced the stake the purchaser must take to avoid the tax from 50 per cent to 25 per cent. per cent to 25 per cent.

Since EDITH never takes majority stakes, this has opened up a mass of potential new investments and the trust says that a queue has already The first taker is A. P. Burs & Sons, a Bristol-based paper and plastic bag maker.

EDITH is issuing 60,005 new shares as part consideration for a 28.6 per cent stake in the company. Another £138,000 is being paid in cash. For this EDITH gets 60,000 convertible participating, preferred ordinary shares of £1 at an effective price of £4.50.

This reduces the Burt family stake, and has anabled the shareholders to provide for capied transfer tax

capital transfer tax. A spokesman for EDITH said he expected a rush of private companies to the institutions offering equity stakes of more than 25 per cent. He expected EDITH itself to be taking more

EDITH uses Myddleton Hotels goes on a dividend spree

Best-ever results, a bigger dividend, and the forecast of an even higher payour for the current year, is the cheerful news from Eastbourne-based Myddleton Hotels. Having slashed its interest charges from £161,000 to just £12,000, Myddleton raised pre-tus profits in the year to lune 30 by 94 per cent to £433,000, easily a record.

Best-ever results, a bigger at total of £458,000, against £57,000.

Having bought the kensing-ton Court Hotel, London, earlier this year, Myddleton has now exchanged contracts to buy Linton Lodge Hotel, Oxford. The price is £665,000. It will be satisfied by the issue of 300,000 new ordinary shores and £175,000 cash. The shares are being placed with institutional investors.

In commexion with the placing.

With earnings per share almost doubled from 12.65p to 23.83p, the total gross dividend ruses from 6.5p to 7.04p. There is also an extraordinary irem of £177,000 to be added to met profit; while there was no similar from fast year, thus making

at Bristow

Expansion

Revertex move in programme Malaysia

Bristow Helicopter Group re-centry hit the head-lines after a confrontation between the group's chairman and its pilots, followed by a two-month-long strike. Now it announces heli-copter and spare parts orders worth £17.8m. This brings the total capital investment this year to £28.2m.

The largest hore, consists of Revertex Chemicals is to grow in Malaysia with the construction of a new plant at Klueng. It is also raising £1m in Malaysia through an issue of shares in Revertex Malaysia to the Johore State Economic Development Corporation. The board of Revertex

The latest boy, consists of three more Aerospatiale Puma 330J belicopters, five more Beli 212s and an initial batch of 10 Sikorsky S-76As. The Pumas and Beli 212s are scheduled for Chemicals has announced that in accordance with both the Malaysian government's wishes and its own policy of inviting local participation, that arrangedelivery between November 1977, and February, 1978. ments have been concluded whereby the Johore State Bononical Concentration of the Concentrati As of yet Bristow's have not said how many of these h sand now many or mese nescop-ters are to be based in the United Kingdom.

These new additions to the Bristow fleet will bring the number of its twin-engined IFR helicopters to S6. cash for new shares in wholly owned subsidiary Revertex Malaysia Sendirian Berha. This representing approximately 30 per cent of the enlarged share

Vavasseur deal for part of Shepperton

Navasseur Group's offshoot.

Milisand Allen International says that its subsidiary Shepperton Studios has today completed arrangements with Ramport Enterprises. This is the comton Studios has today completed arrangements with Ramport Emerprises. This is the company which owns the rights of "The Who" pop group and it is taking a long lease on certain buildings at Shepperton Studios including The Old House and J and K Stakes, which will continues to be available for filming purposes.

Over thenext 3 years Ramport plans to develop sound, video and laser facilities at the Studios and also to extend their two film-making and holographic activities. Shepperton Studios has received £350,000 under these arrangements and under these arrangements and this will enable the Studios to expand the current capital expenaiture programme.

CONTROL SECURITIES City panel says that if shareto them at forthcoming EGM they will not require Laborund AG to hake a general offer for the balance of the shares.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES
Interest rate held at 61 percent. Biggest borrower is Manchester with 53.5m, while Stoke-on-Trent has 51.5m, Strathclyde has £1.25, and £1m is being raised by both Dundee and Grampian. S. LECTION TRUST

STANLEY GIBBONS
Company has bought for
"several hundred thousand dollars
cash" stock of Samuel Ray of
Chicago, a long-established stamp

SCOTT & ROBERTSON
Turnover for half-year to August 26, 58,74m (£7,46m). Pre-tax profit, 5125,000 £367,000). Profit-ability likely to continue at a lower level than last year, board warms.

£1,538.683

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Turnover increase and higher volume and increased productivity resulted in profits being maintained. The Group actively continuing its logical diversification

PLIGHT REPUBLLING Turnover for six months to June 30, £4.9m (£3.7m). Pre-tax profit £560,000 (£430,0001. Board expect

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Directors of ADRINGA have
consider temporary suspension of requested temporary suspension of listing of shares on Johannesburg Stock Exchange. The directors of Tiger Oars have requested temporary suspension on London and Johannesburg Stock Exchanges.

DOVER ENGINEERING
There is a slight reservation from auditors on a £700,000-profit

SELUKWE GOLD MINING SELUKWE GOLD MINING
Selukwe Gold Mining and
Finance in talks with shareholders
of a private company which could
lead to Selukwe taking it over.
But valuation of its assets could
take six weeks. Selukwe shares
temporarily suspended.

Nissan expects to hold net profit at £185m

Tokyo.-Nissan Motor of Japan, which makes the Datsun car, expects a profit, after tax, of about 85,000m yen (about \$185m) for the year to March 31 next. This would compare with the previous year's 85,290m yen. Darsun cars recently became the third biggest selling name in Britain.

Sales will probably rise by fround 12 per cent to 250,000m yen. Nissan will de-2.750,000m yen. Nissan will de-clare an unchanged dividend total of 10 yen. As known, pro-fits in the first six months were steady at 42,470m yen, against 41,970m yen, on sales of 1,080,000m yen, compared with 1,000,000m yen. Earnings per share fell from 38.69 to 33.67

Domestic sales of vehicles in the first half-year to September 30 slipped by 4.5 per cent to 541,700 units, while exports were 8.2 per cent up at 608,100

Business appointments

Director named to head **European Rank Xerox**

Mr Hamish Orr-Ewing, managing director of Rank Xerux (UK), has been promoted to be director of a group of Bank Xerux European operating companies. The subsidiary companies within his responsibility include Rank Xerox (UK), of which he becomes chairman. Succeeding him as managing director of Rank Xerox (UK) is Mr Wayland Hicks.

Mr A. G. Wilkinson, Mr D. A.

Mr A. G. Wilkinson, Mr D. A. Griffiths and Mr G. Ross have joined the board of Forward Trust. Mr L. F. Crick has retired from
the chairmanship and board of
Antofagasta (Chili) & Bolivia
Railway and its sudsidiaries and
has been succeeded as chairman by
Mr G. S. Stone.

Mr John Higgs, Mr Herhert Holmes, Mr John Rudgard and Mr Terry Watts have joined the board of H. P. Butmer. Mr Leslie Thomas has joined the board of Central & Sheerwood.

Mr J. F. Crosfield has been elected a non-executive director of

elected a non-executive director of Baker Perkins Holdings.

Mr G. H. Cartwright and Mr A. E. Brooker bave become non-executive directors of Provident Financial Group.

Mr Bryan McSwipey joins the board of Allied Investments.

Mr Frank Knight becomes deputy cheirman of Campbell's Soups.

Mr Bill Mustoe has been made managing director of Beaver Paints and The Hygienic Paint Company.

Mr K. B. Jenkins is now joint managing director of British Cocoa Mills. (Hull).

Mr B. Hawley has been made finance director of Engineering

Hewetson.

Mr Charles Burkin is chief execution, from December I, of UEAF London, the consortium bank established by Union de Banques Arabes et Françaises.

Banques Arabes of Francises.
Libyan Arab Foreign Bank and
Midland Bank.

Mr Robin J. Nicholis has been
nominated by the British Transport Docks Board to be docks
manager at the Port of Lowestoff
from January 1. He will be
succeeded as docks manager, Ayr
and Truon, by Mr Thomas L.
Kenny.

Atcost Group.

Mr Brian Holland has become a director of Twiniock.

Sir Neil Shields has been made

Mr Bryan Sanderson has become chairmon and chief executive of Kerridge (Cambridge).

Mr Christopher Garood has joined the board of Garred and Lotthouse.

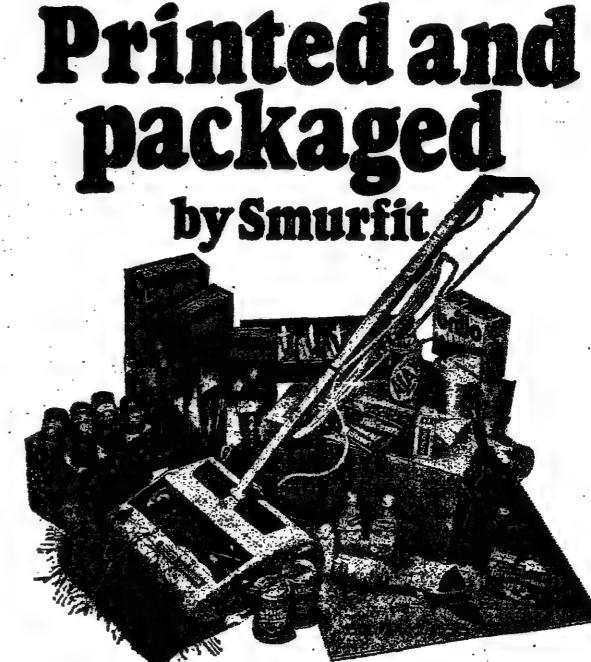
The following comprise the board of Engle Star Trust Company: Mr A. J. S. Duckworth (chairman), Mr J. N. W. Dudley, Mr R. W. Durant, Mr C. R. Hewesson.

Mr Peter Cranham has been made financial director of the

Sir Neil Shields has been made a non-executive director of Faxall Engineer Holdings, Nesmo and associated companies.

Mr Frank Jones takes over as general manager of Lloyds Associated Banking Company from January I. He succeeds Mr Frank Foster, who becomes a deputy chief accountant of the hank.

Mr Peter Clark has become managing director of John Brignell (Builders), succeeding, his father.



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HEADLAM, SIMS & COGGINS LIMITED INTERIM REPORT Half Year to 31/7/76 Full Year to 31/1/77 to 31/7/77

(Unaudited Results) Profit of the Group before Taxation Taxation (Estimated) Net Samings per Ordinary

ANOTHER RECORD YEAR IN PROSPECT CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT Your Company has again made significant advances in both sales and

£165,316 £83,400

R. Coggins & Sons Limited (Industrial and Sports Footwear Manufacfurers: has a strong order level and has made the major contribution

to profits. Their second half year looks most promising. Simiam Limited (Sports Footwear Distributors) has had excellent first half year's results. Historically, the second half year is seasonally affected and thus the outcome for this period is not expected to match that of the first half-

Overall, another record year is in prospect and it is confidently

expected that the total dividend for the year will be the maximum permitted by current legislation.

Your Directors are declaring an interim dividend of 0.5p (net) per ordinary share to holders listed on the Register as at the 11th hievamper 1977 the payment of which will be made on the 2nd December 1977.

A. H. COGGINS (Chairman)

MARKET REPORTS

Eurobond prices (midday indicators) US S STRAIGHTS

US Bureau of Mint to buy copper New York, Nov 1.—The Bureau of the Mine has confirmed that it will buy 20m lb of copper cathodes on November 16.

Bank Base Rates

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Robert Jenkins 330
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Unilock Heldings 63
Walter Alexander 86

The Over the-Counter Market

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Commodities ...

Wall Street

Cocoa gains 4.95 cents

Option trading

New York, Nov 1.-Mr Bennett J. Corn, president of the New York Coffee and Sugar Exchange said the exchange hoped to initiate options trading in the first half of 1978.

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Foreign Exchange

Sterling eased in active and tolatile trading yesterday to finish at \$1.8435, down from \$1.8575-90 at the opening. The pound continued its firm trend in the morning, reaching a high of \$1.8625-35, but fell after the miners voted to reject an incentive scheme. The effective index closed at 64.4 against 64.6 overnight.

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Dealers reported scattered power cuts in the London business area affected late afternoon trading creating confusion. They noted that little business was done in the range \$1.8350-\$51.8400.

Added pressure stemmed from a large European sulling order midafternoon.

Dealers believed the Bank of England gave light support to sterling at its low point of around \$1.9350.

The dollar opened sharply weaker on its Monday close here as market sconiment continued to

Spot Position of Sterling



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Discount market

Credit was originally reckoned to be in ample supply on Lombard Street yesterday but there was a late Treasury swing against the market and the Bank of England was finally required to give the market a moderate amount of bein.

market a moderate amount of help.

This assistance was channelled via purchases of Treasury bills directly from the houses in need. Underlying factors indicated slightly more help was needed. Banks' balances were a long way up overaight, but this was the only identified factor working in the market's favoor.

Houses took money at ranes of between 4 and 4½ per cent for much of the morning and even though the assistance was thought to have been underdone, closing balances were found down at 3 per cent.

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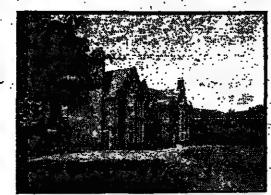
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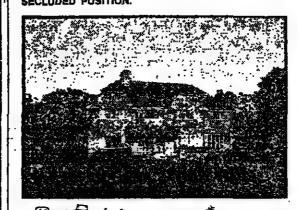
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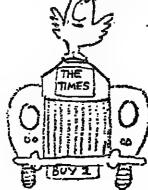


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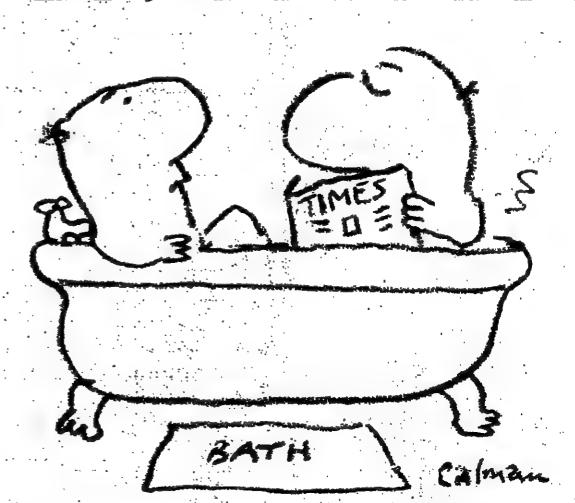
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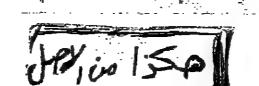


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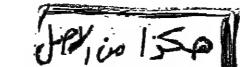
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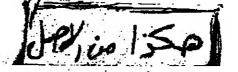
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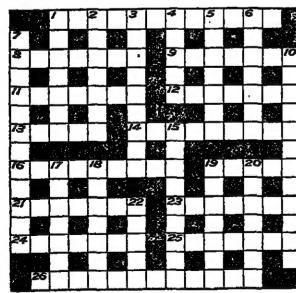
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